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The passage of the Children First Act in 1988 ushered in a new era of data collection, analysis, and reporting about the overall quality and condition of education in Louisiana. Implemented in 1990, this major piece of legislation mandated the publication of the *Progress Profiles (School Report Cards, District Composite Report,* and the *State Report)* with three main objectives: (1) to provide information about schools to parents and the general public, (2) to provide a basis for educational planning, and (3) to increase educational accountability at all levels.

The Children First Act through its *Progress Profiles* program also became the impetus toward the introduction of the statewide school accountability system, which was implemented in fall of 1999. As a result, the *Progress Profiles* have turned into an important mechanism for disseminating information on the status and performance of public education in the state of Louisiana.

The Progress Profiles program is administered by the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE), Office of Management and Finance, Division of Planning, Analysis and Information Resources. This program was founded on the premise that educational improvement is most successful when parents, school staff, and policymakers have access to accurate information on a wide range of factors believed to influence student learning. The indicators included in the *Progress Profiles* were carefully selected because they

- have been demonstrated through school effectiveness research to be related to student learning;
- represent key features of schooling that can be influenced by parents, school staff, and policymakers, and thus are useful for school improvement purposes; and
- yield the maximum amount of accurate and essential information possible without posing undue reporting burdens at either the school or district level.

To offer the most comprehensive overview possible and serve the specific needs of varied audiences, the Department of Education has provided three levels of reporting.

- 1. School Report Cards are tailored to the needs of parents and the general public. In September 1999, the first edition of the accountability reports were issued for 1,188 public schools with grades in the K-8 range, which included elementary, middle/junior high, and combination schools statewide. Copies of the report cards were delivered to the principals for distribution to all parents.
- 2. District Composite Reports are produced for all 66 Louisiana public school districts. The most detailed and comprehensive of the three levels of reporting, these reports offer local and state-level policymakers longitudinal data on all indicators including the accountability performance results.
- 3. The *Louisiana State Education Progress Report* is best suited to the needs of the general reader because it provides a succinct overview of the major characteristics of Louisiana education based on accountability results and other findings.

"Any effort to improve schools must be designed to meet the goal of creating an active, thinking curriculum in specific disciplines, and success should be judged by whether increasing numbers of students reach agreed-upon performance standards."

—Bill Honig

Phi Delta Kappan, June 1994

Purpose of the District Composite Report

The purpose of the *District Composite Report* is to provide information relevant to the condition of education in Louisiana. This report provides detailed longitudinal information on various indicators as well as analyses of data where feasible. It serves as an effective tool to aid policymakers and district administrators in identifying opportunities for school improvement.

Organization of this Report

This report is organized into five parts, each encompassing a series of related educational indicators.

- Part 1. District Summary. The summary tables in this section offer district-level information for all indicators including the school accountability results. In addition to quick-reference tables on various indicators, district socioeconomic and demographic data and financial information are also included to give a more complete picture of Louisiana school districts. School performance is influenced by community socioeconomic characteristics and by the level of local financial support for public education. Part 1, therefore, presents parish (as opposed to district) demographic and socioeconomic indicators ranging from household income distribution and teen pregnancy rate to district revenue, expenditures, and average teacher salaries. District summary tables of all Profile indicators also are provided in Part 1.
- Part 2. School Characteristics and Accountability Information. The context within which students are educated and the level of educational resources available to them impact learning and performance results. Part 2 provides a quick summary of each school's accountability results (i.e., school performance score, school performance category, and two year growth target). This section also focuses on key educational "inputs" and resources at the school level: i.e., the size of the student body and faculty, the school's category (e.g., elementary schools, middle schools, etc.), class sizes, and the academic preparation of faculty.

- Part 3. Student Participation. For students to receive an education, they must first have the opportunity to learn; thus, the extent to which students are present and actively engaged in schooling is of vital importance (Oakes, 1989). Part 3 presents three indicators that provide some measure of student participation: attendance, suspensions/expulsions, and dropouts.
- Part 4. Student Achievement. Part 4 reports three types of school-level outputs: student performance on (1) reading level evaluation results for grades 2 and 3, which assess students' ability to read and comprehend on grade level; (2) criterionreferenced tests (CRTs), which measure students' performance on state-prescribed curricula; and (3) norm-referenced tests (NRTs), which indicate how Louisiana students compare with other students nationally. The Reading Level Evaluation Results are based on Louisiana's new Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA), which is a uniform examination used statewide for the first time in the 1998-99 school year. The CRT results reported for grades 4 and 8 are based on Louisiana's new criterion-referenced testing program (LEAP for the 21st Century) implemented in the spring of 1999. The Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), designed for high school students, is administered in grades 10 and 11. The NRT results, which are also part of LEAP, reflect student performance utilizing two tests: (1) The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS), which is administered for grade 3, 5, 6, and 7; and (2) The Iowa Tests of Educational Development (ITED), which is administered for grade 9.
- Part 5. College Readiness. One goal of elementary-secondary schooling is to ensure that those students seeking an advanced education are adequately prepared for college. This report presents two indicators of college readiness: (1) student performance on the American College Test (ACT), a national test commonly used for college placement purposes; and (2) the percentage of high school graduates who take remedial courses as first-time college freshmen.

A brief narrative, organized as follows, introduces each indicator presented in this report:

- an introduction to the indicator and its significance in the study and/or promotion of student learning;
- a description of how data are organized in the accompanying table(s);
- definitions of key terms, where applicable;
- formulas/equations used to calculate statistics, where applicable; and
- the source(s) of the data presented.

A glossary at the end of this report provides operational definitions for key terms.

School Accountability System

The school accountability system was implemented in the fall of 1999, with an initial focus on schools containing grade levels kindergarten through eighth (K-8). This phase of the accountability system encompassed 1,188 public schools out of a total of 1,507. The accountability program examined each school's progress based on statewide testing programs (LEAP 21 and *The Iowa Tests*) and on school attendance and dropout data.

School Performance Scores (SPS) were calculated for all 1,188 schools using the 1998-99 test data with the 1997-98 attendance and dropout data. SPS for each school is a weighted composite index, using 60% weight for the LEAP 21 tests, 30% weight for *The Iowa Tests*, and a total of 10% for the attendance and dropout results.

Based on its SPS, each school was assigned a performance category, as described on the following table. An SPS of 100 indicates that a school has reached the State's 10-year goal, while a score of 150 indicates achievement of the 20-year goal.

Once the SPS for each accountability school was calculated, a two-year Growth Target was set, defining the minimum expected growth that a school must achieve in order to be on track for meeting the State's 10-year goal.

School Performance Category Assignment

School Performance Category	SPS Range
School of Academic Excellence	150.0 or Above
School of Academic Distinction	125.0 – 149.9
School of Academic Achievement	100.0 – 124.9
Academically Above Average	69.4 – 99.9
Academically Below Average	30.1 – 69.3
Academically Unacceptable School	30 or Below

School Categorization

Category comparison statistics are presented by district and for the state as a whole for those indicators that are not reported by grade level; these include class size, attendance, suspension, and expulsion. This homogeneous grouping of schools by level of instruction fosters probably the fairest comparisons; however, district and statewide comparison statistics also are provided.

The 1,507 Louisiana public schools have been placed into one of four categories:

- *elementary*—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-8 range, which excludes grades in the 9-12 range, and which does not fit the definition for middle/junior high.
- *middle/junior high*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 4-9 range, which includes grades 7 or 8, and which excludes grades in the K-3 and 10-12 ranges.
- *high*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 6-12 range and includes grades in the 10-12 range, or any school that contains only grade 9.
- combination—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-12 range and which is not described by any of the above definitions. These schools generally contain some grades in the K-6 range and some grades in the 9-12 range.

Examples would include grade structures such as K-12; K-3, 9-12; and 4-6, 9-12.

Demographic Indicators Associated With Educational Attainment

Research has shown that demographic and socioeconomic variables affect student achievement. An analysis of the background characteristics of the student population places the school performance indicators in their broader context and helps shed light on the degree of difficulty that certain school districts or states experience in educating their particular student populations. In other words, inclusion of the demographic indicators in Part 1 provides a context for interpretation of the outcomes.

The *District Composite Report* presents the following socioeconomic and demographic information at the parish (not district), state and national levels:

- education attainment,
- labor force breakdown,
- unemployment rate,
- per capita income,
- household income distribution,
- population by race,
- single parent households,
- all persons living below the poverty level, and
- teen pregnancy rate.

The data are supplied by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, and University of Louisiana at Monroe, Center for Business and Economic Research.

District Financial Overview

There are many factors which contribute to the overall profile of a school district. Financial information is one of the vital factors which are part of that profile. Inclusion of this information in Part 1 helps the reader understand how a public school district functions, and it provides additional context for the interpretation of educational indicators.

Longitudinal Analysis: Tracking School Progress Over Time

By law, the Progress Profiles Program is required to present six years of data (the current year and the five previous years). These longitudinal school-level data are presented in the *District Composite Report*. Each year, the *Composite Reports* are updated by adding the most current year's data and deleting the data that are more than six years old. The *School Report Cards* and the *Louisiana State Education Progress Report*, on the other hand, present only the most current year of data so that parents and policymakers who want a very concise and current snapshot of education performance need not wade through voluminous amounts of information.

Incorporating longitudinal data in the *District Composite Report* enables policy makers to anticipate changes in educational outcomes, not just describe them (Smith, 1988). However, longitudinal reporting does complicate the presentation of data. To assist policy makers in interpreting data, tables in the *District Composite Report* have been formatted as follows:

- 1. Cross-sectional data (i.e., for any given year) are presented vertically in columns. School-to-school comparisons can be made within any given year by scanning up and down columns.
- 2. Longitudinal data are presented horizontally in rows. An individual school's progress on any single variable can be charted over time by scanning left-to-right across columns.
- 3. Schools are listed in *sequential order*, based on school site code and school category.

1998-99 As Baseline Year

1998-99 has become a new baseline year for several reasons. First it was the year when the first phase of the newly established school accountability system went into effect and each public school with a grade in the K-8 range received a performance score and a performance label. Secondly, the newly designed criterion-referenced testing program (LEAP 21) went into effect for students in grades 4 and 8. And finally, *The Iowa Tests*, the newly adopted norm-referenced tests, were administered for the first time at grades 3, 5, and 7. For these reasons, this report starts with the 1998-99 school year as its first year. The profiles data for the prior years are still accessible through the 1997-98 *District Composite Report*.

To facilitate longitudinal and cross indicator tracking of individual schools, the LDE has included in all the tables the six digit site code assigned to all public schools. In instances for which certain data may not available for a school, the tilde symbol (~) will be displayed.

The Challenge: Accurate and Reliable Reporting

Measurement is a process involving both theoretical as well as empirical considerations. Most assuredly, research based on the inadequate measurement of indicators does not result in a greater understanding of the particular indicator (Carmines and Zeller, 1979). Though it is widely recognized that the best educational policy is made when officials have access to accurate information, the use of inaccurate or unreliable data is more dangerous than no information at all. Recognizing this possibility for misunderstanding, the LDE has made every effort to ensure the reliability and validity of the data reported on the *Progress Profiles*. Toward that end, LDE and district staff examine each indicator through a meticulous data correction and verification process.

The Progress Profiles Program has grown substantially over the past several years. The LDE has executed an elaborate process for data verification and analyses to ensure that quality is an intrinsic part of each *Progress Profiles* report.

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Part 1. District Summary

Parish Socioeconomic And Demographic Overview	1-1
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The socioeconomic and demographic composition of the parish may shed light on household situations and thus the educational system of a school district. Issues such as income, poverty rate, single parent households, and teen pregnancy affect family function, which is strongly linked to achievement. This section examines state- and national-level information for each parish's socioeconomic and demographic indicator presented.

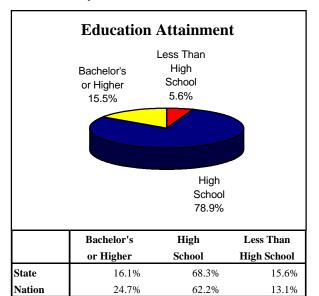
Definitions

- *Education Attainment*—is divided into three levels:
 - 1. <u>Less than high school degree</u>: includes persons of compulsory school attendance age or above who are not enrolled in school and are not high school graduates.
 - 2. <u>High school degree</u>: includes persons whose highest degree is a high school diploma or its equivalent and those who have attempted some college or have received an associate degree. Persons who completed the twelfth grade but did not receive a diploma are not included.
 - 3. <u>Bachelor's degree or higher</u>: includes persons who have received a college, university, or professional degree.
- Labor Force—is divided into four categories:
 - 1. White collar: includes persons with executive, administrative, and managerial occupations; professional specialty occupations; technicians and related support occupations; sales occupations; and administrative support occupations, including clerical.
 - 2. <u>Blue collar</u>: includes persons with precision production, craft, and repair occupations; transportation and material moving occupations; positions held by machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors; and positions held by handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers.
 - 3. <u>Service and Other</u>: includes persons with private household occupations, protective service occupations, and other service occupations.
 - 4. <u>Agriculture</u>: includes persons who perform farming, forestry, and fishing industry jobs.

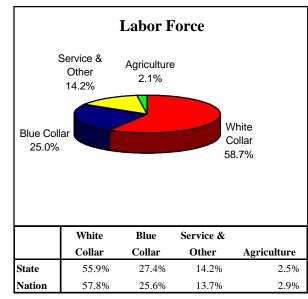
- Household Income Distribution—is divided into seven major groups. The annual income range begins with below \$15,000 and ends with \$100.000 and above.
- Population by Race—is divided into three major groups, white, black, and "other." The "other" category consists of Native Americans and Asian/Pacific Islanders. It should be noted that, according to the 1990 Bureau of Census data, Hispanic origin can be viewed as the ancestry, nationality group, lineage, or country of birth of the person or the person's parents or ancestors before their arrival in the United States. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race and are therefore included in the categories of white, black, and "other."
- *Single Parent Household Rate*—is the number of single parent households divided by the total number of households.
- Poverty Threshold—is revised to allow for changes in the cost of living as reflected in the Consumer Price Index. According to the 1990 Bureau of the Census data, the average poverty threshold for a family of four persons was \$12,674.
- *Teen Pregnancy Rate*—is the total number of teenage girls under the age of 19 divided by the total number of pregnant women.
- *Per capita income*—is the average income computed for every man, woman, and child in a particular group. The Census Bureau derived per capita income by dividing the total income of a particular group by the total population in that group (excluding patients or inmates in institutional quarters).
- *Unemployment rate*—is the total number of persons not working, who are available and seeking work, regardless of age, as a percentage of the civilian labor force. This figure is considered the official unemployment rate and is typically cited in comparisons.

Bossier Parish Socioeconomic and Demographic Overview

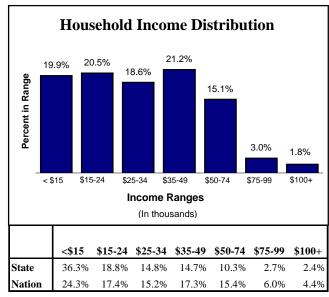
As each school district works toward its educational vision and goals, social and economic factors within the parish may directly or indirectly affect the educational experience of students. An overview of the relevant demographic and socioeconomic profile of each parish places the education indicator data presented in this report in the proper context. These data provide a socioeconomic and demographic profile of the parish as a whole, not the public school district. In preparing this section, every effort was made to obtain the most recent data available for each indicator.



Sources: Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and Economic Research and NCES, 1995.



Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.



Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Pop	pulation by Race
	Other
	1.9%
Black 20.2%	White 77.9%

	White	Black	Other
State	67.3%	30.8%	1.9%
Nation	83.9%	12.3%	3.8%

Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Poverty Level				
	Parish	State	Nation	
All Persons Living Below Poverty Level	16.5%	23.6%	15.7%	

Source: Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and Economic Research, 1993.

Single Parenthood							
	Parish State Nation						
Single Parent Households	15.8%	19.1%	14.8%				

Source: US Bureau of Census, 1990.

Labor Related Statistics						
	Parish	State	Nation			
Per Capita Income 1	\$19,745	\$19,709	\$24,436			
Unemployment Rate ² 6.6% 6.6% 5.4%						

Sources: 1) Northeast Louisiana University, Center for Business and Economic Research, 1996. 2) Bureau of Labor and Statistics, US. Dept of Labor, 1996.

Teen Pregnancy								
	Parish State Nation							
Teen Pregnancy Rate	16.0%	18.9%	12.9%					

Source: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, 1996.

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Financial information broadens the understanding of how public school districts function and provides additional context for the interpretation of educational indicators. The two major components of the financial information are revenues and expenditures.

Definitions

- Revenues—governmental funds appropriated for public education. Revenues are received from four main sources:
 - Local: monies collected directly by a district through taxes (ad valorem, sales, and use taxes), bonds, revenues from other local government units, tuition, transportation fees, earnings of investments, food service, and community service.
 - 2. <u>State</u>: monies received from the state government through Louisiana's Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula, grants-in-aid, and specific programs such as the Early Childhood Program.
 - 3. <u>Federal</u>: monies received from the federal government through a variety of programs such as Title I, Impact Aid Fund, Reserve Officer Training Corps Program (ROTC), Headstart Programs, School Food Service, Adult Basic Education, and Special Education.
 - 4. <u>District revenues per pupil</u>: total revenues divided by the adjusted October 1 funded student membership.
- *Expenditures*—charges incurred, whether paid or unpaid, which benefit the current fiscal year. Total expenditures include the following categories:*
 - 1. <u>Instructional Expenditures</u>: monies spent for classroom instruction, pupil support, and instructional staff support.

- 2. <u>Non-instructional expenditures</u>: monies spent for school administration, business services, operations and maintenance, transportation, food services, enterprises, and community services.
- 3. <u>Facility Acquisition & Construction Services</u>: monies spent for activities concerned with acquiring land and buildings, remodeling buildings, constructing buildings and additions to buildings, initially installing or extending service systems and other built-in equipment, and improving sites.
- 4. <u>District expenditures per pupil</u>: total expenditures minus debt service divided by the adjusted October 1 funded membership.

An additional item frequently of interest to the public is *average* salary of full-time teachers. Average salary calculations include full-time classroom teachers and librarians; special education teachers, aides, guidance counselors, and part-time teachers are not included. This information is different from *average* salary of full-time teachers, which is an average of all teachers' salaries in the district.

Note: Some districts' financial data may be adjusted after the publication of this report because of audits. The financial information in this section is based on the December 1, 1998, figures provided by the Office of Management and Finance, LDE.

^{*} Debt service and other long-term obligations are not included in expenditure figures because these monies provide services during multiple years and should not be attributed to only one year.

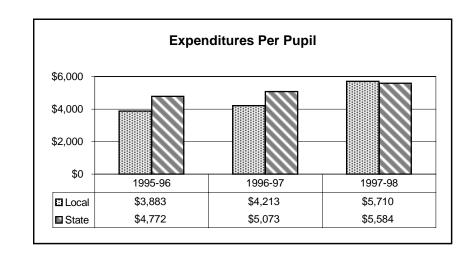
Bossier Parish Financial Profile

	District Revenue by Source								
		1995-96			1996-97			1997-98	
Revenue		% of District	State		% of District	State		% of District	State
Source	Amount	Total	Average %	Amount	Total	Average %	Amount	Total	Average %
Local	\$33,184,134	35.1%	36.8%	\$37,895,358	36.7%	37.4%	\$37,786,500	38.2%	37.6%
State	\$52,677,541	55.7%	50.9%	\$56,891,568	55.0%	50.8%	\$52,595,966	53.2%	51.0%
Federal	\$8,698,319	9.2%	12.3%	\$8,575,887	8.3%	11.8%	\$8,546,182	8.6%	11.4%
Total	\$94,559,994	100.0%	100.0%	\$103,362,813	100.0%	100.0%	\$98,928,648	100.0%	100.0%

Adjusted October 1 Student Membership						
1995-96	1996-97	1997-98				
22,828	23,325	18,831				

Re	Revenues Per Pupil											
1995-96 1996-97 1997-98												
Local	\$4,142	\$4,431	\$5,253									
State Average	\$4,981	\$5,296	\$5,818									

	Teacher Salari	ies								
	Local Average State									
Year	Salary	Salary								
1995-96	\$25,156	\$26,800								
1996-97	\$29,623	\$29,025								
1997-98	\$30,105	\$31,131								



Notes:

- 1. District financial data may be adjusted as a result of audits conducted by the Louisiana Department of Education.
- 2. Percentages may not total to 100% due to rounding.
- 3. Revenue per pupil and operating expenditure per pupil are based on adjusted October 1 funded student membership.

School Characteristics

			Schools in B	ossier Parish									
	1998-99	1998-99 1999-00 2000-01 2001-02 2002-03 2003-04											
Schools in Bossier Parish													
Total Number of Schools	34												
October 1 Membership	18,674												
Number of Faculty	1,205												

					Accountabi	lity Re	esults			
	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04
Schools by Performance Category	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number
School of Academic Excellence	0.0	0								
School of Academic Distinction	4.3	1								
School of Academic Achievement	17.4	4								
Academically Above Average	52.2	12								
Academically Below Average	26.1	6								
Academically Unacceptable School	0.0	0								
Number of Schools*	100.0	23								

^{*} For 1998-99, schools with grades K-8 were included in the accountability system.

Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher											
1998-99 1999-00 2000-01 2001-02 200								2002	2-03	2003	3-04
Percent Number Percent Numb		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	
42.66	514										

Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

School Characteristics

			Class Si	ze Characte	ristics for Gra	ides K-12	
	1998	-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	Percent N	lumber	Percent Number	Percent Numb	er Percent Numbe	r Percent Number	Percent Number
Class Size Characteristics for Grades K-12 Elementary Schools							
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.55	254					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	48.08	364					
Class Size Range 27 or more	18.36	139					
Middle/Jr. High Schools							
Class Size Range 1 - 20	18.15	169					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	41.35	385					
Class Size Range 27 or more	40.49	377					
High Schools			<u></u>				,
Class Size Range 1 - 20	41.42	669					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	29.35	474					
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.23	472					
Combination Schools							
Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	44					
All Schools							
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.94	1,136					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.54	1,223					
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.52	988					

Student Participation

			Student A	ttendance							
1998-99 1999-00 2000-01 2001-02 2002-03											
Percent of Student Attendance											
Elementary Schools	95.44										
Middle/Jr. High Schools	93.71										
High Schools	90.84										
Combination Schools	81.71										
All Schools	93.75										

Student Participation

			Stud	dents Suspend	ded and Expe	elled	
	1998	3-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent Number
Students Suspended and Expelled							
Elementary Schools							
Suspended (In School)	9.78						
Suspended (Out of School)	2.45	243					
Expelled (In School)	0.02	2					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0					
Middle/Jr. High Schools			<u></u>				
Suspended (In School)	30.76	1,401					
Suspended (Out of School)	12.65	576					
Expelled (In School)	1.38	63					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	6					
High Schools			,	,			
Suspended (In School)	30.38	1,607					
Suspended (Out of School)	14.52	768					
Expelled (In School)	1.12	59					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.06	3					
Combination Schools							
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0					
Suspended (Out of School)	32.85	90					
Expelled (In School)	0.36	1					
Expelled (Out of School)	6.20	17					
All Schools							
Suspended (In School)	20.11	3,976					
Suspended (Out of School)	8.07	1,596					
Expelled (In School)	0.63	124					
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	26					

Student Achievement

			De	velopr	nental	Readir	ng Ass	essmer	nt Resu	lts	_	
	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002	2-03	2003	3-04
	Percent	Number										
Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 02	_								_			
Students Assessed		1,475										
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	44.27	653										
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	36.27	535										
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	19.46	287										
Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 03	_								_			
Students Assessed		1,473										
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	27.43	404										
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.40	713										
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	24.17	356										

		F	ercent	and N	umber	of Stu	dents	by Pro	ficienc	y Leve	e1	
	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002	2-03	2003	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent N	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts												
Advanced	2.5	33										
Proficient	20.9	279										
Basic	43.3	577										
Approaching Basic	20.7 276											
Unsatisfactory	12.6	168										

		I	Percent and	Numb	er of Stu	idents l	y Pro	ficiency L	eve	ıl	
	1998	-99	1999-0	20	00-01	2001	1-02	2002-0	03	200.	3-04
	Percent 1	Number	Percent Numb	er Perce	ent Number	Percent	Number	Percent Nur	nber	Percent	Number
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics											
Advanced	3.0	40									
Proficient	11.9	159									
Basic	41.0	550									
Approaching Basic	23.0	309									
Unsatisfactory	21.1	283									

Student Achievement

	Percent and Number of Students by Proficiency Level											
	1998-99		1999-00		2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	2003	3-04
	Percent 1	Vumber	Percent Num	ber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 English Language Arts												
Advanced	1.5	21										
Proficient	16.1	219										
Basic	37.8	515										
Approaching Basic	32.9	449										
Unsatisfactory	11.7	160										

		F	ercent	and N	umber	of Stu	dents	by Pro	ficienc	y Leve	1	
	199	8-99	1999	9-00	2000	-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	200.	3-04
	Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent Number Number Percent Number								Number			
LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 Mathematics												
Advanced	2.4	33										
Proficient	6.8	95										
Basic	42.8	595										
Approaching Basic	21.2	295										
Unsatisfactory	26.8	373										

		Percen	t of Stu	dents	Passin	g GEE	E and N	Vumbei	r of Students	Tested
	199	1998-99 1999-00 2000-01 2001-02 2						2002-03	2003-04	
	Percent	Number	Percent 1	Vumber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent Number
Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results										
English Language Arts	87	1,078								
Mathematics	76	934								
Written Composition	96	1,149								
Science	81	904								
Social Studies	86	961								

Student Achievement

Percent of Students by National Quartiles and Percentile Rank of Average Standard Scores for National Student Norms - The Iowa Tests 1998-99 | 1999-00 | 2000-01 | 2001-02 | 2002-03 | 2003-04 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 03 Fourth Quartile 26.0 Third Ouartile 31.8 Second Quartile 26.4 First Ouartile 15.8 Percentile Rank 57.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 05 Fourth Quartile 23.1 Third Ouartile 32.8 Second Quartile 27.7 First Quartile 16.4 Percentile Rank 55.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 06 23.5 Fourth Ouartile Third Ouartile 31.9 Second Quartile 28.6 First Quartile 16.0 Percentile Rank 55.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 07 Fourth Quartile 24.8 Third Quartile 28.3 29.4 Second Quartile First Quartile 17.5 Percentile Rank 55.0 Norm-referenced Test (NRT) Results - Grade 09 Fourth Quartile 21.7 Third Quartile 33.0 Second Quartile 29.0 First Quartile 16.3

53.0

Percentile Rank

¹ Represents graduates from the previous school year

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

College Readiness

		Ameri	can College '	Test (ACT) R	Results	
	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
ACT Average Composite Score	20.2					

			F	irst-tin	ne Coll	ege Fr	eshme	n Perfo	ormanc	e		
	1998-99 1999-00 2000-01 2001-02 2002-03 2003-								3-04			
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
			r								r	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		1,000										
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	44.70	447										
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Courses	42.51	190										

¹ Represents graduates from the previous school year

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

Part 2. School Characteristics And Accountability Information

Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher	. 2-11
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Table 1School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Bossier Parish

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008001	Airline High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	1,335					
	Number of Faculty	82					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008002	Apollo Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-5					
	October 1 Membership	836					
	Number of Faculty	49					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	102.5					
	School Performance Category*	3					
	Two Year Growth Target	107.5					
008003	Bellaire Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-3					
	October 1 Membership	422					
	Number of Faculty	26					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	106.6					
	School Performance Category*	3					
	Two Year Growth Target	111.6					
008005	Benton Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-6					
	October 1 Membership	993					
	Number of Faculty	57					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	85.6					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	90.6					

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Table 1School Characteristics and Accountability Information of Bossier Parish

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008006	Benton High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	522					
	Number of Faculty	35					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008007	Bossier Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-3					
	October 1 Membership	294					
	Number of Faculty	27					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	46.5					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	56.4					
008008	Life Skills Center						
	Grade Structure	NG					
	October 1 Membership	~					
	Number of Faculty	6					
	School Type	Combination					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008009	Bossier High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	786					
	Number of Faculty	50					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008010	Bossier Parish Technical School						
	Grade Structure	NG					
	October 1 Membership	~					
	Number of Faculty	13					
	School Type	Combination					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008011	Butler Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	4-6					
	October 1 Membership	148					
	Number of Faculty	15					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	37.1					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	48.4					
008012	Central Park Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-5					
	October 1 Membership	429					
	Number of Faculty	34					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	76.5					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	81.5					
008013	Cope Middle School						
	Grade Structure	6-8					
	October 1 Membership	563					
	Number of Faculty	34					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	92.2					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	97.2					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008014	Curtis Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	4-5					
	October 1 Membership	537					
	Number of Faculty	29					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	101.6					
	School Performance Category *	3					
	Two Year Growth Target	106.6					
008015	Elm Grove Middle School						
	Grade Structure	6-8					
	October 1 Membership	828					
	Number of Faculty	43					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	96.3					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	101.3					
008016	Greenacres Middle School						
	Grade Structure	6-8					
	October 1 Membership	681					
	Number of Faculty	44					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	93.9					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	98.9					
008017	Haughton High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	1,003					
	Number of Faculty	56					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-5					
	October 1 Membership	580					
	Number of Faculty	38					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	87.8					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	92.8					
008019	Meadowview Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-5					
	October 1 Membership	614					
	Number of Faculty	43					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	71.3					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	76.8					
008020	Parkway High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	1,003					
	Number of Faculty	58					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-6					
	October 1 Membership	414					
	Number of Faculty	33					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	61.0					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	68.4					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008022	Plain Dealing High School						
	Grade Structure	9-12					
	October 1 Membership	168					
	Number of Faculty	16					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-5					
	October 1 Membership	542					
	Number of Faculty	38					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	56.1					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	64.3					
008024	Platt Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	3-5					
	October 1 Membership	854					
	Number of Faculty	50					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	91.2					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	96.2					
008025	Princeton Middle School						
	Grade Structure	6-8					
	October 1 Membership	890					
	Number of Faculty	50					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	85.6					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	90.6					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008027	T.L. Rodes Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-2					
	October 1 Membership	877					
	Number of Faculty	56					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	91.2					
	School Performance Category *	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	96.2					
008028	Rusheon Middle School						
	Grade Structure	6-8					
	October 1 Membership	778					
	Number of Faculty	52					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	66.3					
	School Performance Category *	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	72.7					
008029	Sun City Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-3					
	October 1 Membership	598					
	Number of Faculty	40					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	101.8					
	School Performance Category *	3					
	Two Year Growth Target	106.8					
008030	Waller Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	PK,K-5					
	October 1 Membership	705					
	Number of Faculty	46					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	76.1					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	81.1					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School						
	Grade Structure	K-5					
	October 1 Membership	559					
	Number of Faculty	34					
	School Type	Elementary					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	126.5					
	School Performance Category *	2					
	Two Year Growth Target	131.5					
008035	Bossier Achievement Center						
	Grade Structure	7-12					
	October 1 Membership	151					
	Number of Faculty	10					
	School Type	High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category *	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008036	Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr						
	Grade Structure	K-12					
	October 1 Membership	18					
	Number of Faculty	1					
	School Type	Combination					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School						
	Grade Structure	5-12					
	October 1 Membership	58					
	Number of Faculty	14					
	School Type	Combination					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	~					
	School Performance Category*	~					
	Two Year Growth Target	~					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008038	Benton Middle School						
	Grade Structure	7-8					
	October 1 Membership	341					
	Number of Faculty	17					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	87.4					
	School Performance Category*	4					
	Two Year Growth Target	92.4					
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School						
	Grade Structure	7-8					
	October 1 Membership	147					
	Number of Faculty	9					
	School Type	Middle/Jr. High					
	School Performance Score (SPS)	53.3					
	School Performance Category*	5					
	Two Year Growth Target	62.1					

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		1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003-0	
District												
	Total Number of Schools		34									
	October 1 Membership	1	8,674									
	Number of Faculty		1,205									
Schoo	ols by Performance Category	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
	School of Academic Excellence	0.0	0									
	School of Academic Distinction	4.3	1									
	School of Academic Achievement	17.4	4									
	Academically Above Average	52.2	12									
	Academically Below Average	26.1	6									
	Academically Unacceptable School	0.0	0									
	Number of Schools*	100.0	23									
State												
	Total Number of Schools		1,507									
	October 1 Membership	76	6,274									
	Number of Faculty	4	9,298									
Schoo	ols by Performance Category	Percent N	'umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
	School of Academic Excellence	0.1	1									
	School of Academic Distinction	1.3	15									
	School of Academic Achievement	7.9	94									
	Academically Above Average	44.0	524									
	Academically Below Average	42.0	500									
	Academically Unacceptable School	4.8	57									
	Number of Schools*	100.0	1,191									

^{*} For 1998-99, schools with grades K-8 were included in the accountability system.

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Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

Perhaps the most vital educational resource available to students is the school faculty. One indicator of faculty preparation is the level of academic training the staff has completed.

Organization

Table 2, Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher, presents the number and percent of faculty attaining a master's degree or higher. Data are presented for all faculty members in all schools in each district. Schools are presented in site code order. District and state totals are presented for comparison purposes.

Data Presentation

This report displays the percent of faculty with a master's degree or higher.

Definition

• Faculty—school-based instructional personnel. In addition to full-time classroom teachers, these individuals include principals,

assistant principals, guidance counselors, librarians, and other instructional staff (provided these individuals teach at least one class).

Method of Calculation

The formula used to compute the percentage of faculty who have a master's degree or higher is presented below. Itinerant staff members who are employed at multiple school sites are counted at each school in which they teach, but are counted only once in district and state percentages.

Data Sources

Site-based personnel—district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Profile of Educational Personnel* (PEP).

Faculty degree status—district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Profile of Educational Personnel* (PEP).

Formula Used to Calculate Percent of Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

Percent of Faculty
with a Master's Degree = Number of Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher
or Higher

Total Number of Faculty at All Education Levels

X 100

Table 2Faculty with a Master's Degree or Higher

		1998-	.99	1999-00	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
008001	Airline High School	47.56	39									
008002	Apollo Elementary School	65.31	32									
008003	Bellaire Elementary School	38.46	10									
008005	Benton Elementary School	28.07	16									
008006	Benton High School	57.14	20									
008007	Bossier Elementary School	33.33	9									
008008	Life Skills Center	33.33	2									
008009	Bossier High School	42.00	21									
008010	Bossier Parish Technical School	30.77	4									
008011	Butler Elementary School	53.33	8									
008012	Central Park Elementary School	32.35	11									
008013	Cope Middle School	38.24	13									
008014	Curtis Elementary School	48.28	14									
008015	Elm Grove Middle School	27.91	12									
008016	Greenacres Middle School	52.27	23									
008017	Haughton High School	32.14	18									
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School	26.32	10									
008019	Meadowview Elementary School	37.21	16									
008020	Parkway High School	50.00	29									
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School	42.42	14									
008022	Plain Dealing High School	56.25	9									
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School	34.21	13									
008024	Platt Elementary School	48.00	24									
008025	Princeton Middle School	34.00	17									
008027	T.L. Rodes Elementary School	48.21	27									
008028	Rusheon Middle School	46.15	24									
008029	Sun City Elementary School	42.50	17									
008030	Waller Elementary School	47.83	22									
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School	52.94	18									
008035	Bossier Achievement Center	50.00	5									
008036	Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr	0.00	0									
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School	50.00	7									
008038	Benton Middle School	41.18	7									
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School	33.33	3									
District		42.66	514									
State		42.05 2	0,732									

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

Small classes generally allow more time for pupil-teacher interaction and therefore are instrumental in promoting student learning, especially at the lower elementary grades. In recognition of that fact, the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has set specific limits on the maximum size of classes at various grade levels (*Bulletin 741*). The maximum enrollment in grades K-3 is 26 students, while in grades 4-12 the maximum enrollment is 33 students. The limits do not apply to activity classes such as physical education, chorus, and band.

Organization

Tables 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d (Class Size Characteristics for Elementary, Middle/Junior High, High, and Combination Schools, respectively) present the number and percentage of classes that fall within various class size ranges. Data are presented for all schools in each district, with schools presented by category and in site code order. District and state percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Since 1993-94, district and state percentages based on school category also have been provided.

Data Presentation

This report provides the 1998-99 class size information for grades K-12 by three ranges: 1-20, 21-26, and 27+. Category percentages are provided for comparison purposes.

Definition

• Class—a grouping of children under the primary supervision and instruction of an individual teacher for all or part of the instructional day, as reported for the purposes of the *Annual School Report* (ASR) and as identified by a specific ASR course code.

Method of Calculation

The following criterion was applied to *Annual School Report (ASR)* data to determine which classes should be included/excluded from the class size calculations:

• Activity classes (which have a maximum allowable student count greater than 33) are excluded because their inclusion in the computation would skew the results.

Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Classes in Each of the Specific Class Size Ranges

*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Classes in Elementary Schools in Specific Class Size Range = (Number of Classes in Elementary Schools in Specific Class Size Range / Total Number of Classes in Elementary Schools) X 100.

Data Source

District-reported data from the Annual School Report (ASR).

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LDE researchers have explored the relationship between school configuration and Report Card indicators related to student participation and testing. Middle school students perform significantly lower in grades 6 and 7 for all indicators than grades 6 and 7 students in elementary or combination (K-12) schools (Franklin and Glascock, 1994).

Table 3a: Class Size Characteristics

		1998	8-99	1999-00	2000-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	2003-04
		Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number
008002	Apollo Elementary School		T							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	23.74								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	48.92								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	27.34	38							
008003	Bellaire Elementary School		I							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	45.45								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	54.55	12							
008005	Benton Elementary School		1							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	20.90								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	52.24								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	26.87	18							
008007	Bossier Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	16							
008011	Butler Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	28.57								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	52.38								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	19.05	4							
008012	Central Park Elementary School		1							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	67.65								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	29.41								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	2.94	1							
008014	Curtis Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	3.90								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	11.69								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	84.42	65							
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	55.17								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	44.83	13							
008019	Meadowview Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	59.38								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	40.63	13							
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	51.61	16							
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	48.39	15							

Table 3a: Class Size Characteristics

		199	8-99	1999)-00	2000-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent Number
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School		_							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	67.86	19							
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	32.14	. 9							
008024	Platt Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	14.63								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	68.29	28							
	Class Size Range 27 or more	17.07	7							
008027	T.L. Rodes Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	34.88								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	65.12	28							
008029	Sun City Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	40.00								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	60.00	33							
008030	Waller Elementary School		T							
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	23.81	20							
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	76.19	64							
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School									
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	42.11	16							
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	42.11								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	15.79	6							

Table 3a: Class Size Characteristics

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
	Percent Number					
District (Elementary Schools)						
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.55 254					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	48.08 364					
Class Size Range 27 or more	18.36 139					
District (All Schools)						
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.94 1,136					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.54 1,223					
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.52 988					
State (Elementary Schools)						
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.48 11,901					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	50.38 16,434					
Class Size Range 27 or more	13.14 4,285					
State (All Schools)						
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91 44,332					
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50 46,247					
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59 29,539					

Table 3b: Class Size Characteristics

Middle/Jr. High Schools

		1998-	99	1999-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent Nu	ımber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008013	Cope Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	27.82	37								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	45.11	60								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	27.07	36								
008015	Elm Grove Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	7.32	12								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	29.27	48								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	63.41	104								
008016	Greenacres Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	26.11	41								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	41.40	65								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	32.48	51								
008025	Princeton Middle School									,	
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	8.33	16								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.98	71								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	54.69	105								
008028	Rusheon Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	28.04	53								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	46.56	88								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	25.40	48								
008038	Benton Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	8.00	6								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	54.67	41								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	37.33	28								
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School										
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	19.05	4								
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	57.14	12								
	Class Size Range 27 or more	23.81	5								

Table 3b: Class Size Characteristics

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998-9	9	1999	00-6	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Nun	nber 1	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	18.15	169									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	41.35	385									
Class Size Range 27 or more	40.49	377									
District (All Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.94 1,1	136									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.54 1,2	223									
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.52	988									
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)	1										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	29.78 9,0	029									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	39.56 11,9	994									
Class Size Range 27 or more	30.66 9,2	294									
State (All Schools)	1										
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91 44,3	332									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50 46,2	247									
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59 29,5	539									

Table 3c: Class Size Characteristics

High Schools

		1998-	99	1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
										Percent Number		
008001	Airline High School			·								
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	31.41	131									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	34.53	144									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	34.05	142									
008006	Benton High School											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	47.55	68									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	25.17	36									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	27.27	39									
008009	Bossier High School											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	40.08	101									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	35.71	90									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	24.21	61									
008017	Haughton High School											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	34.06	109									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	30.63	98									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	35.31	113									
008020	Parkway High School											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	40.43	131									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	26.23	85									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	33.33	108									
008022	Plain Dealing High School											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	67.11	51									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	23.68	18									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	9.21	7									
008035	Bossier Achievement Center											
	Class Size Range 1 - 20	93.98	78									
	Class Size Range 21 - 26	3.61	3									
	Class Size Range 27 or more	2.41	2									

Table 3c: Class Size Characteristics

High Schools

	199	8-99	1999	-00	2000	-01	200	1-02	2002	2-03	2003-04
	Percent	Number	Percent 1	Vumber	Percent 1	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number
District (High Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	41.42	669									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	29.35	474									
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.23	472									
District (All Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.94	1,136									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.54	1,223									
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.52	988									
State (High Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	37.47	18,477									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	31.83	15,697									
Class Size Range 27 or more	30.71	15,144									
State (All Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91	44,332									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50	46,247									
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59	29,539									

Table 3d: Class Size Characteristics

Combination Schools

	1998-99		1999	-00	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008036 Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	1									
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	43									
District (Combination Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	100.00	44									
District (All Schools)						I					
Class Size Range 1 - 20	33.94	1,136									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	36.54	1,223									
Class Size Range 27 or more	29.52	988									
State (Combination Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	62.64	4,925									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	26.99	2,122									
Class Size Range 27 or more	10.38	816									
State (All Schools)											
Class Size Range 1 - 20	36.91	44,332									
Class Size Range 21 - 26	38.50	46,247									
Class Size Range 27 or more	24.59	29,539									

Part 3. Student Participation

Student Attendance	3-1
Students Suspended and Expelled	3-7

More than a decade ago, American schools were challenged by *A Nation at Risk* to do whatever necessary to reduce the amount of instructional time lost to absenteeism (Bennett, 1988). As educators have long recognized, occasional absences cause some learning disruption, but frequent student absences can severely reduce academic progress (Bamber, 1979).

The percent of student attendance reflects the percentage of time the average student is present within the total number of instructional days. Since 1993-94, attendance has been calculated to the nearest half day.

Organization

Tables 4a, 4b, 4c, and 4d, Student Attendance, present the percent of student attendance for each school in the district. District and state percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Schools are presented by category and in site code order.

Data Presentation

This report presents the percent of student attendance for the school, district, and state, based on the school category.

Definitions

- Aggregate days attendance—the total number of days that students are *present* at the school site over the course of the school year.
- Aggregate days membership—the total number of days that students are *enrolled* (but not necessarily *present* at the school site) over the course of the school year.

Of all the School Report Card indicators studied, student attendance yields the strongest positive relationship with average test scores. This finding is especially evident in secondary schools with higher attendance. These schools show a marked increase in the percentage of students passing the Graduation Exit Exam (Franklin and Crone, 1993).

• Day of attendance—effective with the 1992-93 school year, when a student "(1) is physically present at a school site or is participating in an authorized school activity and (2) is under the supervision of authorized personnel. This definition extends to students who are homebound, assigned to and participating in drug rehabilitation programs that contain a State-approved education component, or participating in school-authorized field trips." (Bulletin 741)

"Students who meet the above criteria and are present at the school site for 26-50 percent of the student's instructional day shall be credited with a half day of attendance. Those who meet the above criteria and are present for at least 51% of the student's instructional day are credited with a whole day of attendance. Students who are not physically present or who are participating for 25 percent or less of their instructional day will be considered absent for reporting purposes. Absences, whether excused or unexcused, shall be counted as an absence for reporting to the Department." (Bulletin 741)

The above definition was piloted for the 1992-93 school year and has been in effect statewide since the 1993-94 school year.

• *Percent of student attendance*—the ratio of aggregate days student attendance to aggregate days membership.

Method of Calculation

The formulas used in calculating percent of student attendance are presented on the following page.

Data Sources References

The attendance indicator is based on district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Student Information System* (SIS).

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Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Student Attendance

School-level Aggregation

District-level Aggregation

Percent of Student Attendance = $\frac{Total \, Aggregate \, Days \, of \, Attendance \, for}{All \, Schools \, in \, the \, District} \, \mathsf{X} \quad 100^*$ for All Schools in the District

State-level Aggregation

Percent of Student Attendance = $\frac{Total \, Aggregate \, Days \, of \, Attendance \, for}{All \, Schools \, in \, the \, State} \times 100^*$ $for \, All \, Schools \, in \, the \, State$

*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Student Attendance in Elementary Schools = (Aggregate Days of Attendance for All Elementary Schools / Aggregate Days of Membership for All Elementary Schools) X 100.

Table 4a: Percent of Student Attendance

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008002	Apollo Elementary School	95.94					
008003	Bellaire Elementary School	96.62					
008005	Benton Elementary School	95.20					
008007	Bossier Elementary School	93.37					
008011	Butler Elementary School	93.10					
008012	Central Park Elementary School	94.62					
008014	Curtis Elementary School	96.89					
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School	95.32					
008019	Meadowview Elementary School	95.17					
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School	94.43					
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School	95.39					
008024	Platt Elementary School	96.04					
008027	T.L. Rodes Elementary School	94.72					
008029	Sun City Elementary School	95.89					
008030	Waller Elementary School	94.91					
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School	96.48					
District (Elementary Schools)	95.44					
District (All Schools)	93.75					
State (El	ementary Schools)	95.15					
State (Al	Schools)	93.53					

Table 4b: Percent of Student Attendance

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008013 Cope Middle School	94.84					
008015 Elm Grove Middle School	94.45					
008016 Greenacres Middle School	92.73					
008025 Princeton Middle School	93.42					
008028 Rusheon Middle School	93.25					
008038 Benton Middle School	94.27					
008039 Plain Dealing Middle School	92.34					
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)	93.71					
District (All Schools)	93.75					
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)	92.85		·			
State (All Schools)	93.53					

Table 4c: Percent of Student Attendance

High Schools

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008001 Airline High School	90.89					
008006 Benton High School	93.44					
008009 Bossier High School	91.22					
008017 Haughton High School	91.24					
008020 Parkway High School	91.77					
008022 Plain Dealing High School	90.39					
008035 Bossier Achievement Center	68.45					
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School	80.74					
District (High Schools)	90.84					
District (All Schools)	93.75					
State (High Schools)	90.87					-
State (All Schools)	93.53					

Table 4d: Percent of Student Attendance

Combination Schools

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008036 Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr	100.00					
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School	80.74					
District (Combination Schools)	81.71					
District (All Schools)	93.75					
State (Combination Schools)	94.11	_				
State (All Schools)	93.53					

Student suspension harms not only students by depriving them of valuable instruction, but also communities, the individual school, and school district (Garibaldi, 1978).

Organization

Tables 6a, 6b, 6c, and 6d, Students Suspended and Expelled, present the number and percent of students suspended and the number and percent of students expelled for each school in the district. Schools are listed by category and in site code order. District percentages are presented for comparison of all schools. Since 1993-94, percentages based on the school category also have been provided for comparison purposes.

It should be pointed out that the "students suspended" number reflects the number of students at the school site who were suspended at least once during the school year. Because some students are suspended more than once over the course of the school year, the total incidence of suspension may be greater than the number reported here.

Data Presentation

This report presents the 1998-99 school-level number and percent of students suspended and expelled. Category statistics are provided at the district level for comparison purposes.

Definitions

- Cumulative Enrollment—the sum of all students enrolled in a school or district for at least one school day during the course of the school year, used as the denominator for calculating school-and district-level suspension and expulsion percents.
- *In-school Expulsion*—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a period of time specified by the LEA; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- In-school Suspension—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a minimum of one complete school day; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- Out-of-school Expulsion—the removal (exit) of a student from school for a determined number of days with no provision of instructional services.
- Out-of-school Suspension—a student temporarily prohibited from participating in his/her usual placement within school, with no provision of instructional service; only suspensions resulting in removal for at least one full day are included.

Schools which report comparatively high suspension rates tend to serve more low-income students than those which report low suspension rates. Suspension rates tend to be higher among large schools. Middle schools and secondary schools report higher suspension rates than schools with other grade configurations. Finally, class enrollments are larger in high-suspension schools (Kennedy, 1993). This research is further supported by Franklin and Glascock (1994), who found that suspension rates are significantly higher in middle schools than in elementary or combination (K-12) schools.

Method of Calculation

Suspensions and expulsions are calculated for students enrolled in grades K-12. The formulas listed at the bottom of this page were used to calculate the desired school- and district-level percentages for each school category, as well as district-level percentages for all schools.

Data Sources

The suspension and expulsion indicators are based on district-reported data submitted to the LDE via the *Student Information System* (SIS).

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- Garibaldi, A. M. (1978). *In-School Alternatives to Suspension: Conference Report.* Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office.
- Kennedy, E. (1993). A study of out-of-school suspensions and expulsions in Louisiana public schools. Report to the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Baton Rouge, La.: Louisiana Department of Education.

Formulas Used to Calculate Percent of Students Suspended, Expelled

School-level Aggregation

$$Percent of Students Suspended = \frac{Number of Students Suspended}{Cumulative Enrollment} \times 100$$

$$Percent of Students Expelled = \frac{Number of Students Expelled}{Cumulative Enrollment} \times 100$$

District-level Aggregation

$$Percent of Students Suspended = \frac{Total Number of Students Suspended}{for All Schools in the District} \times 100^*$$

$$Percent of Students Expelled = \frac{Total Number of Students Expelled}{For All Schools in the District} \times 100^*$$

$$Cumulative Enrollment for All Schools in the District}{Cumulative Enrollment for All} \times 100^*$$

$$Schools in the District}$$

*Note: Because of school categorization, the numerator and denominator will vary. For example, Percent of Elementary Students Suspended = (Number of Elementary Students Suspended / Cumulative Elementary Student Enrollment) X 100.

Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

		1998-	99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	2003	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent Ni	ımber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008002	Apollo Elementary School									·		
	Suspended (In School)	2.32	21									
	Suspended (Out of School)	0.44	4									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008003	Bellaire Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	1.51	7									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008005	Benton Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	18.18	196									
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.62	39									
	Expelled (In School)	0.09	1									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008007	Bossier Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	31.66	107									
	Suspended (Out of School)	10.95	37									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008011	Butler Elementary School						1					
	Suspended (In School)	0.52	1									
	Suspended (Out of School)	11.40	22									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008012	Central Park Elementary School						ı					
	Suspended (In School)	6.95	33									
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.16	15									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008014	Curtis Elementary School						1					
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	2.27	13									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									

Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

		1998	-99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	6.30	45									
	Suspended (Out of School)	1.12	8									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008019	Meadowview Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	15.43	102									
	Suspended (Out of School)	1.51	10									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	31.38	134									
	Suspended (Out of School)	1.41	6									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	17.24	101									
	Suspended (Out of School)	4.27	25									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008024	Platt Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	12.91	122									
	Suspended (Out of School)	3.28	31									
	Expelled (In School)	0.11	1									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008027	T.L. Rodes Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.10	1									
	Suspended (Out of School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008029	Sun City Elementary School											
	Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
	Suspended (Out of School)	0.15	1									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

Table 6a: Students Suspended and Expelled

	1998-	99	1999	-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
									Percent Number		
008030 Waller Elementary School											
Suspended (In School)	16.14	122									
Suspended (Out of School)	3.84	29									
Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
District (Elementary Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	9.78	970									
Suspended (Out of School)	2.45	243									
Expelled (In School)	0.02	2									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
District (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	20.11	3,976									
Suspended (Out of School)	8.07	1,596									
Expelled (In School)	0.63	124									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	26									
State (Elementary Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	3.36 12										
Suspended (Out of School)	5.10 19	9,705									
Expelled (In School)	0.05	190									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.06	214									
State (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.14 63										
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 82	2,290									
Expelled (In School)		1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

Table 6b: Students Suspended and Expelled

Middle/Jr. High Schools

		1998	-99	199	9-00	200	0-01	2003	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008013	Cope Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	31.05	195									
	Suspended (Out of School)	11.15	70									
	Expelled (In School)	1.11	7									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008015	Elm Grove Middle School									_		
	Suspended (In School)	20.22	181									
	Suspended (Out of School)	4.69	42									
	Expelled (In School)	0.67	6									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008016	Greenacres Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	28.33	219									
	Suspended (Out of School)	14.88	115									
	Expelled (In School)	2.46	19									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.26	2									
008025	Princeton Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	34.12	334									
	Suspended (Out of School)	9.09	89									
	Expelled (In School)	0.41	4									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.10	1									
008028	Rusheon Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	34.57	307									
	Suspended (Out of School)	19.03	169									
	Expelled (In School)	2.36	21									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.23	2									
008038	Benton Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	21.10	77									
	Suspended (Out of School)	8.77	32									
	Expelled (In School)	0.82	3									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.27	1									
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School											
	Suspended (In School)	64.85	107									
	Suspended (Out of School)	42.42	70									
	Expelled (In School)	1.82	3									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

Table 6b: Students Suspended and Expelled

Middle/Jr. High Schools

	1998	-99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent 1	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District (Middle/Jr. High Schools)									_		
Suspended (In School)	30.76	1,401									
Suspended (Out of School)	12.65	576									
Expelled (In School)	1.38	63									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	6									
District (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	20.11	3,976									
Suspended (Out of School)	8.07	1,596									
Expelled (In School)	0.63	124									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	26									
State (Middle/Jr. High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	16.35	21,735									
Suspended (Out of School)	19.38	25,751									
Expelled (In School)	0.57	756									
Expelled (Out of School)	1.12	1,482									
State (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	8.14	63,578									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54	82,290									
Expelled (In School)	0.23	1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

Table 6c: Students Suspended and Expelled

High Schools

		1998	-99	199	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008001	Airline High School											
	Suspended (In School)	29.78	425									
	Suspended (Out of School)	11.70	167									
	Expelled (In School)	0.63	9									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008006	Benton High School											
	Suspended (In School)	21.18	118									
	Suspended (Out of School)	12.57	70									
	Expelled (In School)	0.90	5									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008009	Bossier High School				_							
	Suspended (In School)	26.56	238									
	Suspended (Out of School)	22.54	202									
	Expelled (In School)	2.01	18									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008017	Haughton High School											
	Suspended (In School)	35.26	385									
	Suspended (Out of School)	13.37	146									
	Expelled (In School)	1.65	18									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.09	1									
008020	Parkway High School											
	Suspended (In School)	32.63	354									
	Suspended (Out of School)	7.00	76									
	Expelled (In School)	0.37	4									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.18	2									
008022	Plain Dealing High School											
	Suspended (In School)	49.46	92									
	Suspended (Out of School)	33.87	63									
	Expelled (In School)	2.69	5									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									
008035	Bossier Achievement Center											
	Suspended (In School)	2.88	6									
	Suspended (Out of School)	25.00	52									
	Expelled (In School)	0.00	0									
	Expelled (Out of School)	0.00	0									

^{~ =} Unavailable Data

Table 6c: Students Suspended and Expelled

High Schools

	1998	.99	1999	-00	2000	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent N	umber	Percent N	lumber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School											
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0									
Suspended (Out of School)	38.46	90									
Expelled (In School)	0.43	1									
Expelled (Out of School)	7.26	17									
District (High Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	30.38	1,607									
Suspended (Out of School)	14.52	768									
Expelled (In School)	1.12	59									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.06	3									
District (All Schools)											
Suspended (In School)	20.11	3,976									
Suspended (Out of School)	8.07	1,596									
Expelled (In School)	0.63	124									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	26									
State (High Schools)			-								
Suspended (In School)	11.84 2	7,296									
Suspended (Out of School)	14.88 3	4,314									
Expelled (In School)	0.30	701									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.78	1,797									
State (All Schools)			-								
Suspended (In School)	8.14 6	3,578									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 8	2,290									
Expelled (In School)	0.23	1,779									
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	3,601									

Table 6d: Students Suspended and Expelled

Combination Schools

	1998-	99	1999-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
				1				Percent Number		
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School										
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0								
Suspended (Out of School)	38.46	90								
Expelled (In School)	0.43	1								
Expelled (Out of School)	7.26	17								
District (Combination Schools)										
Suspended (In School)	0.00	0								
Suspended (Out of School)	32.85	90								
Expelled (In School)	0.36	1								
Expelled (Out of School)	6.20	17								
District (All Schools)										
Suspended (In School)	20.11 3	,976								
Suspended (Out of School)	8.07 1	,596								
Expelled (In School)	0.63	124								
Expelled (Out of School)	0.13	26								
State (Combination Schools)										
Suspended (In School)	3.91 1	,712								
Suspended (Out of School)	7.28	3,185								
Expelled (In School)	0.30	133								
Expelled (Out of School)	0.29	128								
State (All Schools)										
Suspended (In School)	8.14 63									
Suspended (Out of School)	10.54 82	2,290								
Expelled (In School)	0.23 1	,779								
Expelled (Out of School)	0.46	,601								

Part 4. Student Achievement

Developmental Reading Assessment Results	4-1
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Norm-referenced Test (NRT) – Iowa Tests Results	
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The ability to read is essential to survive in our society. Many children learn to read quickly and efficiently once exposed to formal instruction. However, this skill acquisition is not an easy task for some children because of a variety of reasons. These children require high quality preschool and kindergarten programs and excellent primary instruction that emphasize language and literacy skills. Focusing on this important issue, the Louisiana Legislature funded a K-3 reading and mathematics initiative in its 1997 and 1998 legislative sessions.

Organization

Tables 7a and 7b present Reading Level Evaluation Results for grades 2 and 3 respectively. These results present the number and percent of students reading below, on, and above their grade levels. This information is provided for each public school in the district, with schools listed in site code order. District and state results are presented for comparison purposes.

Definition

The following students were evaluated and included in the assessment results:

- all regular education students enrolled as of October 1, 1998;
- all special education students whose IEPs designate that they are in a specially designed, regular instructional program;
- all Limited English Proficient (LEP) students who were enrolled in and who completed at least two full consecutive academic years in an English-speaking school (including kindergarten);
- students in alternative programs or placements who are addressing regular curriculum standards; and
- all disabled students according to Section 504.

Assessment Instruments

This year's results were based on Louisiana's new **Developmental Reading Assessment** (**DRA**) program, a uniform examination used statewide for the first time in the 1998-99 school year. The tests are an essential part of the K-3 Reading and Mathematics Initiative, designed both to identify students at-risk of reading failure and to provide individualized instruction. Two major aspects of reading which are critical to independence as a reader are evaluated by the DRA, which is administered to each individual student; (a) accuracy of oral reading, and (b) comprehension through reading and re-telling of narrative stories.

In the 1998-99 school year, first-grade students were assessed in the spring semester only, while second- and third-grade students were assessed both in the fall and spring semesters. The results shown in this report are based on assessment in fall of 1998.

Method of Calculation

The formula used to compute the percents of students reading below, on, and above their grade levels is presented on the following page.

Data Sources

The Reading Level data are based on district-reported data submitted to the Louisiana Department of Education, Division of School Standards, Accountability and Assistance.

Formula Used to Calculate Percent of Students Reading Below, On, and Above Their Grade Levels

Percent of Students Number of Students Reading Below Grade Level X 100 Reading Below Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level Percent of Students Number of Students Reading On Grade Level Reading On X 100 Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level Percent of Students Number of Students Reading Above Grade Level X 100 Reading Above Total Number of Students Assessed in that Grade Grade Level

Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2

	1998-	.99	199	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Ni	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008002 Apollo Elementary School									·		
Students Assessed		157									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	35.67	56									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	39.49	62									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	24.84	39									
008003 Bellaire Elementary School							-				
Students Assessed		106									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	29.25	31									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	47.17	50									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	23.58	25									
008005 Benton Elementary School							r			ı	
Students Assessed		129									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	37.98	49									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	43.41	56									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	18.60	24									
008007 Bossier Elementary School							г			1	
Students Assessed		65									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	80.00	52									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	18.46	12									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	1.54	1									
008012 Central Park Elementary School							Г			1	
Students Assessed		64									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	68.75	44									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	17.19	11									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	14.06	9									
008018 R. V. Kerr Elementary School							r			ı	
Students Assessed		110									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	52.73	58									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	40.91	45									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	6.36	7									

Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2

	1998-	99	1999-00	2000)-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Nu	mber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008019 Meadowview Elementary School			"					•		
Students Assessed		92								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	36.96	34								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	41.30	38								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	21.74	20								
008021 Plain Dealing Elementary School				,					·	
Students Assessed		60								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	60.00	36								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	26.67	16								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	13.33	8								
008023 Plantation Park Elementary School									r	
Students Assessed		74								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	55.41	41								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	32.43	24								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	12.16	9								
008027 T.L. Rodes Elementary School				ı					r	
Students Assessed		278								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	43.53	121								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	38.85	108								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	17.63	49								
008029 Sun City Elementary School				,		i			ſ	
Students Assessed		153								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	33.99	52								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	32.03	49								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	33.99	52								
008030 Waller Elementary School				ļ		i			ſ	
Students Assessed		92								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	76.09	70								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	19.57	18								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	4.35	4								

Table 7a: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 2

	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008033 Stockwell Place Elementary School											
Students Assessed		95									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	9.47	9									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.42	46									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	42.11	40									
District											
Students Assessed		1,475									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	44.27	653									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	36.27	535									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	19.46	287									
State (Pub <u>lic)</u>											
Students Assessed		58,615									
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	56.36	33,038									
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	29.53	17,307									
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	14.11	8,270									

Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3

	1998-99		1999-00	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Num	ber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008002 Apollo Elementary School										
Students Assessed	1:	26								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	16.67	21								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	49.21	62								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	34.13	43								
008003 Bellaire Elementary School				_						
Students Assessed		06								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level		33								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level		58								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	14.15	15								
008005 Benton Elementary School										
Students Assessed		70								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level		49								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level		91								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	17.65	30								
008007 Bossier Elementary School				 		i			i	
Students Assessed		49								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level		30								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level		19								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	0.00	0								
008012 Central Park Elementary School				 		i			i	
Students Assessed		58								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level		23								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level		22								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	22.41	13								
008018 R. V. Kerr Elementary School				 		i			i	
Students Assessed		75								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level		15								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level		46								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	18.67	14								

Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3

	1998-99		1999-00	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Nu	ımber	Percent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008019 Meadowview Elementary School	,		-					'	'	
Students Assessed		99								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	24.24	24								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.48	48								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	27.27	27								
008021 Plain Dealing Elementary School									-	
Students Assessed		49								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	32.65	16								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	42.86	21								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	24.49	12								
008023 Plantation Park Elementary School									r	
Students Assessed		84								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	42.86	36								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	41.67	35								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	15.48	13								
008024 Platt Elementary School						,			r	
Students Assessed		303								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	26.73	81								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	44.88	136								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	28.38	86								
008029 Sun City Elementary School						,			r	
Students Assessed		150								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	21.33	32								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	52.00	78								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	26.67	40								
008030 Waller Elementary School						,			Г	
Students Assessed		118								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	34.75	41								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.31	57								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	16.95	20								

Table 7b: Developmental Reading Assessment Results - Grade 3

	1998-9	9 19	1999-00		2000-01		1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent Num	ber Perc	ent Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008033 Stockwell Place Elementary School										
Students Assessed		86								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	3.49	3								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	46.51	40								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	50.00	43								
District										
Students Assessed	1,4	173								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	27.43	104								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	48.40	713								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	24.17	356								
State (Public)										
Students Assessed	57,6	525								
Students Reading Below Their Grade Level	34.48 19,8	369								
Students Reading On Their Grade Level	45.72 26,3	348								
Students Reading Above Their Grade Level	19.80 11,4	118								

Criterion-referenced Test (CRT) – LEAP 21 Test Results

The *LEAP for the 21st Century tests* (or **LEAP 21**), the State's new *criterion*-referenced testing (CRT) program, are administered to students in grades 4 and 8, and will be phased in at the high school level. These tests measure how well a student has mastered the State's new content standards. The high school CRT is commonly known as the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE). Not yet administered in its new format, the current GEE will continue to be given until the new format is phased in. The GEE will be further explained in the next section.

All students take the CRT, except for students who have met participation criteria for alternate assessment as indicated on their Individual Education Plan (IEP). Since 1995-96, CRT scores have been reported for both regular and special education students. The new LEAP 21 tests implemented for the first time in the spring of 1999 to the 4th and 8th graders, differ from the previous CRT tests in the areas described below.

- ◆ These tests are aligned with the new state content standards, which by law must be as rigorous as the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) tests.
 - The new English language arts tests have longer reading passages and a greater variety of item types. Some openended questions require written responses to what the students read, and students in each grade must write a composition in response to a writing prompt.
 - The new mathematics tests also reflect greater difficulty, with a broader and more challenging range of test items and problem types. For example, there are open-ended problems as well as problems with more than one solution and/or more than one path to a solution.
- ♦ Students will no longer receive a simple "pass/fail," but instead will receive one of five achievement ratings:
 - Advanced-demonstrates superior performance beyond the proficient level of mastery.

- Proficient-demonstrates competency over challenging subject matter and is well-prepared for the next level of schooling.
- Basic-demonstrates only the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.
- Approaching Basic-partially demonstrates the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.
- Unsatisfactory-does not demonstrate the fundamental knowledge and skills needed for the next level of schooling.

Organization

Tables 8a–8d provide CRT results for grades 4 and 8 for the English language arts and mathematics tests. Table 9 in the next section provides GEE results for first-time GEE test takers.

The tables reflect both the number and percent of students scoring at each proficiency level for each subject area.

Definition

Criterion-referenced tests (CRTs)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in achieving established criteria; LEAP 21 CRT results show the number and percent of Louisiana students in each one of the five proficiency levels described above.

Data Source

The CRT results are based on student-level data tapes provided to the LDE by Data Recognition Corporation (DRC), the test contractor for the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program for the 21st Century (LEAP 21) for grades 4 and 8.

Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts

		1998	.99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008002	Apollo Elementary School											
	Advanced	5.0	7									
	Proficient	27.0	38									
	Basic	47.5	67									
	Approaching Basic	13.5	19									
	Unsatisfactory	7.1	10									
008005	Benton Elementary School											
	Advanced	3.6	4									
	Proficient	18.9	21									
	Basic	41.4	46									
	Approaching Basic	21.6	24									
	Unsatisfactory	14.4	16									
008011	Butler Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	2.9	2									
	Basic	29.4	20									
	Approaching Basic	22.1	15									
	Unsatisfactory	45.6	31									
008012	Central Park Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	10.5	2									
	Basic	63.2	12									
	Approaching Basic	21.1	4									
	Unsatisfactory	5.3	1									
008014	Curtis Elementary School											
	Advanced	2.8	7									
	Proficient	28.2	70									
	Basic	45.6	113									
	Approaching Basic	18.1	45									
	Unsatisfactory	5.2	13									
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School											
	Advanced	1.4	1									
	Proficient	20.8	15									
	Basic	48.6	35									
	Approaching Basic	22.2	16									
	Unsatisfactory	6.9	5									

Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts

		1998	-99	1999	9-00	200	0-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	lumber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008019	Meadowview Elementary School											
	Advanced	1.3	1									
	Proficient	10.3	8									
	Basic	42.3	33									
	Approaching Basic	34.6	27									
	Unsatisfactory	11.5	9									
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						T					
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	3.9	2									
	Basic	45.1	23									
	Approaching Basic	41.2	21									
	Unsatisfactory	9.8	5									
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	2.8	2									
	Basic	30.6	22									
	Approaching Basic	33.3	24									
	Unsatisfactory	33.3	24									
008024	Platt Elementary School											
	Advanced	1.8	5									
	Proficient	21.6	61									
	Basic	46.1	130									
	Approaching Basic	20.6	58									
	Unsatisfactory	9.9	28									
008030	Waller Elementary School											
	Advanced	2.3	2									
	Proficient	14.0	12									
	Basic	36.0	31									
	Approaching Basic	20.9	18									
	Unsatisfactory	26.7	23									
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School											
	Advanced	5.7	6									
	Proficient	43.8	46									
	Basic	42.9	45									
	Approaching Basic	4.8	5									
	Unsatisfactory	2.9	3									

Table 8a: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 English Language Arts

		1998	-99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	2003	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	lumber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
District												
	Advanced	2.5	33									
	Proficient	20.9	279									
	Basic	43.3	577									
	Approaching Basic	20.7	276									
	Unsatisfactory	12.6	168									
State												
	Advanced	1.4	797									
	Proficient	14.7	8,451									
	Basic	39.0	22,376									
	Approaching Basic	24.1	13,845									
	Unsatisfactory	20.7	11,872									

Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics

		1998	.99	1999	-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008002	Apollo Elementary School											
	Advanced	1.4	2									
	Proficient	9.2	13									
	Basic	50.4	71									
	Approaching Basic	24.8	35									
	Unsatisfactory	14.2	20									
008005	Benton Elementary School									1		
	Advanced	4.5	5									
	Proficient	12.6	14									
	Basic	37.8	42									
	Approaching Basic	22.5	25									
	Unsatisfactory	22.5	25									
008011	Butler Elementary School									,		
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	20.6	14									
	Approaching Basic	25.0	17									
	Unsatisfactory	54.4	37									
008012	Central Park Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	14.8	4									
	Basic	40.7	11									
	Approaching Basic	14.8	4									
	Unsatisfactory	29.6	8									
008014	Curtis Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.8	2									
	Proficient	12.1	30									
	Basic	53.2	132									
	Approaching Basic	23.4	58									
	Unsatisfactory	10.5	26									
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	11.1	8									
	Basic	45.8	33									
	Approaching Basic	30.6	22									
	Unsatisfactory	12.5	9									

Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics

		1998	-99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008019	Meadowview Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	2.6	2									
	Basic	33.3	26									
	Approaching Basic	37.2	29									
	Unsatisfactory	26.9	21									
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						T	,				
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	31.4	16									
	Approaching Basic	45.1	23									
	Unsatisfactory	23.5	12									
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	5.6	4									
	Basic	29.2	21									
	Approaching Basic	23.6	17									
	Unsatisfactory	41.7	30									
008024	Platt Elementary School											
	Advanced	5.3	15									
	Proficient	17.0	48									
	Basic	39.0	110									
	Approaching Basic	18.1	51									
	Unsatisfactory	20.6	58									
008030	Waller Elementary School											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	12.8	11									
	Basic	34.9	30									
	Approaching Basic	16.3	14									
	Unsatisfactory	36.0	31									
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School						Т					
	Advanced	15.2	16									
	Proficient	23.8	25									
	Basic	41.9	44									
	Approaching Basic	13.3	14									
	Unsatisfactory	5.7	6									

Table 8b: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 4 Mathematics

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Number					
District							
	Advanced	3.0 40					
	Proficient	11.9 159					
	Basic	41.0 550					
	Approaching Basic	23.0 309					
	Unsatisfactory	21.1 283					
State							
	Advanced	1.7 1,003					
	Proficient	7.8 4,473					
	Basic	31.7 18,157					
	Approaching Basic	24.0 13,755					
	Unsatisfactory	34.8 19,931					

Table 8c: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 English Language Arts

		1998-	.99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008013	Cope Middle School											
	Advanced	1.3	2									
	Proficient	19.1	30									
	Basic	36.3	57									
	Approaching Basic	32.5	51									
	Unsatisfactory	10.8	17									
008015	Elm Grove Middle School											
	Advanced	1.4	4									
	Proficient	17.8	49									
	Basic	45.3	125									
	Approaching Basic	27.5	76									
	Unsatisfactory	8.0	22									
008016	Greenacres Middle School											
	Advanced	3.4	7									
	Proficient	25.0	52									
	Basic	35.1	73									
	Approaching Basic	26.4	55									
	Unsatisfactory	10.1	21									
008025	Princeton Middle School											
	Advanced	1.6	5									
	Proficient	16.5	51									
	Basic	41.4	128									
	Approaching Basic	31.4	97									
	Unsatisfactory	9.1	28									
008028	Rusheon Middle School											
	Advanced	0.9	2									
	Proficient	6.0	14									
	Basic	25.9	60									
	Approaching Basic	44.4	103									
	Unsatisfactory	22.8	53									
008036	Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr											
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	0.0	0									
	Approaching Basic	0.0	0									
	Unsatisfactory	0.0	0									

Table 8c: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 English Language Arts

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
				Percent Number			
008038	Benton Middle School						
	Advanced	0.6					
	Proficient	14.3 22					
	Basic	39.6 61					
	Approaching Basic	33.1 51					
	Unsatisfactory	12.3 19					
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School						
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	1.7 1					
	Basic	25.4 15					
	Approaching Basic	55.9 33					
	Unsatisfactory	16.9 10					
District							
	Advanced	1.5 21					
	Proficient	16.1 219					
	Basic	37.8 515					
	Approaching Basic	32.9 449					
	Unsatisfactory	11.7 160					
State							
	Advanced	1.1 577					
	Proficient	11.2 6,035					
	Basic	31.5 17,005					
	Approaching Basic	35.9 19,358					
	Unsatisfactory	20.3 10,928					

Table 8d: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 Mathematics

		1998-	.99	1999	9-00	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008013	Cope Middle School											
	Advanced	4.3	8									
	Proficient	6.5	12									
	Basic	49.5	91									
	Approaching Basic	19.6	36									
	Unsatisfactory	20.1	37									
008015	Elm Grove Middle School											
	Advanced	3.6	10									
	Proficient	7.6	21									
	Basic	52.5	145									
	Approaching Basic	17.4	48									
	Unsatisfactory	18.8	52									
008016	Greenacres Middle School											
	Advanced	3.8	8									
	Proficient	11.1	23									
	Basic	41.8	87									
	Approaching Basic	21.2	44									
	Unsatisfactory	22.1	46									
008025	Princeton Middle School											
	Advanced	1.0	3									
	Proficient	6.5	20									
	Basic	41.4	128									
	Approaching Basic	23.9	74									
	Unsatisfactory	27.2	84									
008028	Rusheon Middle School											
	Advanced	0.9	2									
	Proficient	3.0	7									
	Basic	30.2	70									
	Approaching Basic	22.0	51									
	Unsatisfactory	44.0	102									
008036	Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr							1				
	Advanced	0.0	0									
	Proficient	0.0	0									
	Basic	0.0	0									
	Approaching Basic	0.0	0									
	Unsatisfactory	0.0	0									

Table 8d: LEAP 21 Test Results - Grade 8 Mathematics

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		T T		Percent Number			
008038	Benton Middle School						
	Advanced	1.3 2					
	Proficient	7.1 11					
	Basic	43.5 67					
	Approaching Basic	22.7 35					
	Unsatisfactory	25.3 39					
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School						
	Advanced	0.0					
	Proficient	1.7 1					
	Basic	16.9 10					
	Approaching Basic	30.5 18					
	Unsatisfactory	50.8 30					
District			_				
	Advanced	2.4 33					
	Proficient	6.8 95					
	Basic	42.8 595					
	Approaching Basic	21.2 295					
	Unsatisfactory	26.8 373					
State							
	Advanced	1.3 713					
	Proficient	4.4 2,359					
	Basic	33.3 17,927					
	Approaching Basic	21.3 11,498					
	Unsatisfactory	39.7 21,360					

The Criterion-referenced Tests in this state are part of the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP); they are administered in April of each year to public school students at specified grade levels. For the secondary level, the CRT is the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE).

To graduate from public high school, Louisiana students must accumulate 23 Carnegie units of academic credit and pass all five components of the GEE. Students who do not achieve the performance standards for any of the test components have at least two opportunities per year to retake those portions; in addition, they are offered remedial instruction prior to retaking test sections. GEE results reported in this publication are for first-time test takers.

The Written Composition, English Language Arts, and Mathematics components of the GEE are initially administered to students at the 10th grade level. The first opportunity for students to take the Science and Social Studies components of the GEE is at the 11th grade level.

These tests are administered to all students with the exception of special education students who have met the participation criteria for Alternate Assessment. The Progress Profiles Program reports scores for all students taking the tests. This format reflects the same reporting format used by the LEAP.

In Louisiana, the GEE provides a measure of the extent to which students meet State-established, grade-level skill requirements in English language arts, mathematics, written composition, science, and social studies.

Organization

Table 9 provides the GEE results for first-time GEE test takers. The table presents the GEE results for each high school in the district in school site code order. Also, comparison data are presented for the district and the state.

The tables reflect both the 1998-99 number and percent of students who met or exceeded standards for the respective grade levels.

Definition

GEE results show the number and percent of Louisiana students who met or exceeded state curriculum content standards. Thus, the percent of students passing a specific test is the percent scoring at or above the performance standard that the state has set in that subject area.

Data Source

The GEE results are based on student-level data tapes provided to the LDE by National Computer Systems, test contractor for this portion of the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP).

Table 9: Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results

Percent and Number of Students Passing

		1998-	99	1999	-00	2000)-01	200	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
		Percent N	umber	Percent N	umber	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008001	Airline High School											
	English Language Arts	88	288									
	Mathematics	82	266									
	Written Composition	96	299									
	Science	87	271									
	Social Studies	92	288									
008006	Benton High School											
	English Language Arts	92	129									
	Mathematics	75	106									
	Written Composition	96	135									
	Science	75	79									
	Social Studies	87	90									
008009	Bossier High School											
	English Language Arts	87	173									
	Mathematics	67	136									
	Written Composition	96	190									
	Science	71	100									
	Social Studies	76	106									
008017	Haughton High School											
	English Language Arts	88	213									
	Mathematics	75	180									
	Written Composition	94	222									
	Science	83	209									
	Social Studies	86	217									
008020	Parkway High School											
	English Language Arts	90	216									
	Mathematics	83	198									
	Written Composition	98	229									
	Science	86	210									
	Social Studies	92	226									

Table 9: Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) Results

Percent and Number of Students Passing

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
		Percent Number					
008022	Plain Dealing High School						
	English Language Arts	57 27					
	Mathematics	60 28					
	Written Composition	91 43					
	Science	63 20					
	Social Studies	66 21					
008035	Bossier Achievement Center						
	English Language Arts	81 21					
	Mathematics	46 12					
	Written Composition	95 20					
	Science	57 13					
	Social Studies	48 11					
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School						
	English Language Arts	92 11					
	Mathematics	67 8					
	Written Composition	100 11					
	Science	100 2					
	Social Studies	100 2					
District							
	English Language Arts	87 1,078					
	Mathematics	76 934					
	Written Composition	96 1,149					
	Science	81 904					
	Social Studies	86 961					
State							
	English Language Arts	85 39,311					
	Mathematics	74 33,871					
	Written Composition	93 41,421					
	Science	80 33,056					
	Social Studies	88 36,496					

The Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) utilizes norm-referenced tests (NRTs) for national student comparisons with Louisiana students. From 1988 to 1992, Louisiana's NRT was the *California Achievement Test (CAT)* Form F, and from 1993 to 1997, Louisiana's NRT was the CAT/5. In 1998, the test administered to Louisiana students changed from the *California Achievement Test* to the *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills* (ITBS) and the *Iowa Tests of Educational Development* (ITED).

In 1999, the complete batteries of the *ITBS*, Form M, were administered to approximately 235,000 Louisiana public school students in grades 3, 5, 6, and 7. Approximately 60,000 public school students in grade 9 were also tested, taking the Complete Battery of the *ITED*, Form M. With items in a traditional multiple choice format, *The Iowa Tests* assessed student performance in reading, language, mathematics, spelling, study skills, science, and social studies.

At grades 3, 5, 6, and 7, the *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)* were administered and at grade 9 the *Iowa Tests of Educational Development (ITED)* were administered.

ITBS consists of thirteen tests in the subject areas of reading, language, mathematics, social studies, science, and sources of information. The Mathematics Computation test was administered only at grade 3; Mathematics Computation is not used to calculate the Math Total, Core Total, nor the Composite score. The *Iowa Tests of Basic Skills* Composite score is the average of the scores for Reading Total, Language Total, Mathematics Total, Social Studies, Science, and Sources of Information Total.

ITED consists of seven tests: Vocabulary, Correctness and Appropriateness of Expression, Ability to Do Quantitative Thinking, Ability to Interpret Literary Materials, Analysis of Social Studies Materials, Analysis of Science Materials, and Use of Sources of Information. The *Iowa Tests of Educational Development* Composite score is the average of the scores for the seven tests.

These tests are administered to all students with the exception of special education students who have met the participation criteria for Alternate Assessment. Scores are reported for all students not requiring accommodations to the standardized administration procedures.

Organization

Tables 10a to 10e present 1998-99 NRT results for grades 3, 5, 6, 7, and 9, respectively. Test results are presented for all public schools in the district with schools listed in site code order. District, state, and national results are presented for comparison purposes.

Data are grouped as follows:

- Quartile 4--the percent of students who scored in the top 25% of students in the national norm group. If 32 of 100 students scored this high, Quartile 4 would read 32 percent.
- *Quartile 3*--the percent of students who scored between the 50th and the 74th national percentiles.
- *Quartile* 2-- the percent of students who scored between the 25th and 49th national percentiles.
- *Quartile 1*--the percent of students who scored between the 1st and 24th national percentiles.
- Percentile Rank of the Average Standard Score for the National Student Norms-- percentile rank of the average student in the school, district, or state. For example, a percentile rank of 48 for a school means that 48 percent of the students in the norm group scored at or below the average score obtained by the students in the school.

Definition

Norm-referenced tests (NRT). These tests produce scores that tell how schools/individuals perform in comparison with other schools/individuals; LEAP NRT results show how Louisiana schools perform when compared with the district, state, and nation.

Data Source

The NRT indicator is based on student-level data provided to the Louisiana Department of Education by Riverside Publishing, the test contractor for The Iowa Tests.

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008002	Apollo Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	33.9					
	Third Quartile	34.7					
	Second Quartile	23.1					
	First Quartile	8.3					
	Percentile Rank	64.0					
008003	Bellaire Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	42.1					
	Third Quartile	40.0					
	Second Quartile	15.8					
	First Quartile	2.1					
	Percentile Rank	70.0					
008005	Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	21.1					
	Third Quartile	25.9					
	Second Quartile	25.9					
	First Quartile	27.2					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					
008007	Bossier Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	7.3					
	Third Quartile	19.5					
	Second Quartile	36.6					
	First Quartile	36.6					
	Percentile Rank	34.0					
008012	Central Park Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	16.7					
	Third Quartile	27.8					
	Second Quartile	35.2					
	First Quartile	20.4					
	Percentile Rank	48.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	26.5					
	Third Quartile	27.9					
	Second Quartile	27.9					
	First Quartile	17.6					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
008019	Meadowview Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	14.9					
	Third Quartile	28.4					
	Second Quartile	35.8					
	First Quartile	20.9					
	Percentile Rank	46.0					
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	4.8					
	Third Quartile	9.5					
	Second Quartile	33.3					
	First Quartile	52.4					
	Percentile Rank	30.0					
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	4.7					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	35.9					
	First Quartile	34.4					
	Percentile Rank	34.0					
008024	Platt Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	25.6					
	Third Quartile	31.3					
	Second Quartile	29.8					
	First Quartile	13.4					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008029	Sun City Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	35.5					
	Third Quartile	42.1					
	Second Quartile	18.2					
	First Quartile	4.1					
	Percentile Rank	68.0					
008030	Waller Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	19.1					
	Third Quartile	41.6					
	Second Quartile	28.1					
	First Quartile	11.2					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	48.3					
	Third Quartile	36.0					
	Second Quartile	14.6					
	First Quartile	1.1					
	Percentile Rank	75.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	26.0					
	Third Quartile	31.8					
	Second Quartile	26.4					
	First Quartile	15.8					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.5					
	Third Quartile	25.8					
	Second Quartile	29.1					
	First Quartile	28.6					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008002	Apollo Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	32.9					
	Third Quartile	40.0					
	Second Quartile	21.9					
	First Quartile	5.2					
	Percentile Rank	66.0					
008005	Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	13.5					
	Third Quartile	36.5					
	Second Quartile	27.0					
	First Quartile	23.0					
	Percentile Rank	49.0					
008011	Butler Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	11.1					
	Second Quartile	19.4					
	First Quartile	69.4					
	Percentile Rank	20.0					
008012	Central Park Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	7.9					
	Third Quartile	28.9					
	Second Quartile	42.1					
	First Quartile	21.1					
	Percentile Rank	41.0					
008014	Curtis Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	28.6					
	Third Quartile	33.8					
	Second Quartile	27.1					
	First Quartile	10.5					
	Percentile Rank	61.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008018	R. V. Kerr Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	15.9					
	Third Quartile	34.1					
	Second Quartile	37.5					
	First Quartile	12.5					
	Percentile Rank	52.0					
008019	Meadowview Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	10.9					
	Third Quartile	23.6					
	Second Quartile	32.7					
	First Quartile	32.7					
	Percentile Rank	41.0					
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	5.3					
	Third Quartile	18.4					
	Second Quartile	34.2					
	First Quartile	42.1					
	Percentile Rank	35.0					
008023	Plantation Park Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	13.2					
	Third Quartile	32.1					
	Second Quartile	37.7					
	First Quartile	17.0					
	Percentile Rank	48.0					
008024	Platt Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	21.4					
	Third Quartile	34.1					
	Second Quartile	29.4					
	First Quartile	15.1					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008030	Waller Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	27.1					
	Third Quartile	30.0					
	Second Quartile	27.1					
	First Quartile	15.7					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
008033	Stockwell Place Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	50.6					
	Third Quartile	31.5					
	Second Quartile	12.4					
	First Quartile	5.6					
	Percentile Rank	72.0					
District							
	Fourth Quartile	23.1					
	Third Quartile	32.8					
	Second Quartile	27.7					
	First Quartile	16.4					
	Percentile Rank	55.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.2					
	Third Quartile	23.4					
	Second Quartile	30.8					
	First Quartile	29.6					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008005	Benton Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	25.8					
	Third Quartile	32.3					
	Second Quartile	29.0					
	First Quartile	12.9					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008011	Butler Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	5.0					
	Second Quartile	40.0					
	First Quartile	55.0					
	Percentile Rank	26.0					
008013	Cope Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	31.6					
	Third Quartile	27.6					
	Second Quartile	23.7					
	First Quartile	17.1					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008015	Elm Grove Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	21.8					
	Third Quartile	36.5					
	Second Quartile	29.7					
	First Quartile	12.0					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
008016	Greenacres Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	29.8					
	Third Quartile	35.7					
	Second Quartile	23.4					
	First Quartile	11.1					
	Percentile Rank	61.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008021	Plain Dealing Elementary School						
	Fourth Quartile	10.0					
	Third Quartile	20.0					
	Second Quartile	30.0					
	First Quartile	40.0					
	Percentile Rank	37.0					
008025	Princeton Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	24.0					
	Third Quartile	35.2					
	Second Quartile	26.6					
	First Quartile	14.2					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008028	Rusheon Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	16.3					
	Third Quartile	27.0					
	Second Quartile	36.5					
	First Quartile	20.2					
	Percentile Rank	48.0					
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	0.0					
	Second Quartile	33.3					
	First Quartile	66.7					
	Percentile Rank	23.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	23.5					
	Third Quartile	31.9					
	Second Quartile	28.6					
	First Quartile	16.0					
	Percentile Rank	55.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	15.9					
	Third Quartile	24.6					
	Second Quartile	31.4					
	First Quartile	28.1					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008013	Cope Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	34.1					
	Third Quartile	22.4					
	Second Quartile	26.5					
	First Quartile	17.1					
	Percentile Rank	59.0					
008015	Elm Grove Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	32.7					
	Third Quartile	33.1					
	Second Quartile	24.4					
	First Quartile	9.8					
	Percentile Rank	62.0					
008016	Greenacres Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	31.6					
	Third Quartile	25.4					
	Second Quartile	25.4					
	First Quartile	17.6					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008025	Princeton Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	16.2					
	Third Quartile	29.5					
	Second Quartile	33.8					
	First Quartile	20.5					
	Percentile Rank	49.0					
008028	Rusheon Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	15.8					
	Third Quartile	28.2					
	Second Quartile	37.8					
	First Quartile	18.2					
	Percentile Rank	49.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008035	Bossier Achievement Center						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	50.0					
	Percentile Rank	36.0					
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School						
	Fourth Quartile	7.7					
	Third Quartile	15.4					
	Second Quartile	15.4					
	First Quartile	61.5					
	Percentile Rank	25.0					
008038	Benton Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	26.8					
	Third Quartile	34.5					
	Second Quartile	26.2					
	First Quartile	12.5					
	Percentile Rank	59.0					
008039	Plain Dealing Middle School						
	Fourth Quartile	3.7					
	Third Quartile	13.0					
	Second Quartile	40.7					
	First Quartile	42.6					
	Percentile Rank	31.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	24.8					
	Third Quartile	28.3					
	Second Quartile	29.4					
	First Quartile	17.5					
	Percentile Rank	55.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	15.2					
	Third Quartile	24.1					
	Second Quartile	31.4					
	First Quartile	29.4					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008001	Airline High School						
	Fourth Quartile	28.0					
	Third Quartile	32.1					
	Second Quartile	26.7					
	First Quartile	13.2					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008006	Benton High School						
	Fourth Quartile	22.3					
	Third Quartile	37.8					
	Second Quartile	27.7					
	First Quartile	12.2					
	Percentile Rank	56.0					
008009	Bossier High School						
	Fourth Quartile	16.7					
	Third Quartile	29.6					
	Second Quartile	30.2					
	First Quartile	23.5					
	Percentile Rank	47.0					
008017	Haughton High School						
	Fourth Quartile	18.3					
	Third Quartile	29.5					
	Second Quartile	33.6					
	First Quartile	18.7					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					
008020	Parkway High School						
	Fourth Quartile	24.9					
	Third Quartile	38.9					
	Second Quartile	26.1					
	First Quartile	10.1					
	Percentile Rank	59.0					

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		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008022	Plain Dealing High School						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	19.4					
	Second Quartile	44.4					
	First Quartile	36.1					
	Percentile Rank	32.0					
008035	Bossier Achievement Center						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	54.5					
	Second Quartile	18.2					
	First Quartile	27.3					
	Percentile Rank	45.0					
008036	Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shltr & Detention Cntr						
	Fourth Quartile	0.0					
	Third Quartile	100.0					
	Second Quartile	0.0					
	First Quartile	0.0					
	Percentile Rank	57.0					
008037	Bossier Parish Alternative School						
	Fourth Quartile	7.1					
	Third Quartile	7.1					
	Second Quartile	21.4					
	First Quartile	64.3					
	Percentile Rank	22.0					

		1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
District							
	Fourth Quartile	21.7					
	Third Quartile	33.0					
	Second Quartile	29.0					
	First Quartile	16.3					
	Percentile Rank	53.0					
State							
	Fourth Quartile	16.5					
	Third Quartile	24.8					
	Second Quartile	29.5					
	First Quartile	29.2					
	Percentile Rank	44.0					
Nation							
	Fourth Quartile	25.0					
	Third Quartile	25.0					
	Second Quartile	25.0					
	First Quartile	25.0					
	Percentile Rank	50.0					

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Part 5. College Readiness

American College Test (ACT) Results	5-1
First-Time Freshmen Performance	5-3

Scores on the American College Test (ACT) are widely used as an indicator of student preparedness for college. Most Louisiana public colleges and universities require that entering students take the ACT for admissions or placement purposes.

Organization

Table 11, American College Test (ACT) Results, presents average composite scores for graduating seniors for each school in the district receiving a *School Report Card*. Schools are shown in school site code order. Comparison data are presented for the district (public schools only), the state (public and nonpublic schools combined), and the nation (public and nonpublic schools combined).

The ACT results shown include test scores for (1) twelfth graders who took the test in the current year and (2) twelfth graders who took the test as eleventh graders and elected not to retake it as seniors. If a student took the test in both the eleventh and twelfth grades, only the twelfth grade score has been included.

Data Presentation

A college readiness indicator that includes ACT information is presented on all public schools that have a twelfth grade. The *District Composite Report* presents the 1998-99 average ACT composite scores at the school, district, state, and national levels.

Method of Calculation

The ACT composite score is an average score based on the scores for the four ACT assessment tests (English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning). The composite score, which ranges from 1 to 36, is a measure of the student's general educational development across these four subject areas.

Data Source

The ACT indicator is based on student-level data supplied to the LDE by the testing contractor, American College Testing.

References

Franklin, B.J., and Crone, L.J., (1993, April). *Louisiana Progress Profiles*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Atlanta, Ga.

LDE researchers have found the ACT performance of Louisiana students correlates highly with their performance on LEAP (CRT and NRT) tests. Further, those districts with the highest percentage of students taking the ACT have the highest ACT scores. This finding tends to dispute a widelyheld assumption that the higher the percentage of students taking the ACT, the lower the average score (Franklin and Crone, 1993).

Table 11: American College Test (ACT) Results

Average Composite Scores

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
008001 Airline High School	20.9					
008006 Benton High School	21.0					
008009 Bossier High School	18.9					
008017 Haughton High School	20.1					
008020 Parkway High School	20.2					
008022 Plain Dealing High School	17.5					
008035 Bossier Achievement Center	18.0					
District (Public)	20.2					
State (Public and Nonpublic)	19.6					
Nation (Public and Nonpublic)	21.0					

The number of freshmen who enroll in remedial courses during their first semester of college is one measure of the extent to which high school graduates are prepared for college.

Since 1987, the Louisiana Board of Regents has collected and reported information on the number of Louisiana high school graduates who enroll in Louisiana colleges and universities the following fall and enroll in remedial/developmental courses. The 1993 Legislature, believing that parents should have access to this information, enacted legislation mandating that this first-time college freshmen data be incorporated into the *Progress Profiles*.

Organization

Table 12, First-time College Freshmen Performance, presents the number and percent of students who (1) graduated from *Report Card* schools and (2) enrolled as first-time freshmen during the following fall semester at any of the state's two- and four-year public and private universities. The table also reports the number and percent of first-time college freshmen who were enrolled in at least one remedial course during their first regular semester of college study.

Data Presentation

The college readiness indicator that includes first-time college freshmen information is presented on all public schools that have a twelfth grade.

Note: The first-time college freshmen data reported on 1998-99 school year represent information on 1997-98 high school graduates. Further, the district results may reflect data from additional schools, which were open during the 1997-98 school year. Finally, the State results are based on public schools that had diploma graduates in 1997-98.

Definitions

First-time college freshman—a student who graduates from high school during a given school year and who is enrolled full time in a Louisiana higher education institution the following fall semester. A student must begin the fall semester with fewer than 12 hours of credit previously attempted (not including advanced placement credits

Formula Used to Calculate First-time College Freshmen Percentages

Percent of High School Graduates Who
Were First-time College Freshmen = Number of First-time College Freshmen

Total Number of High School Graduates

Number of First-time College Freshmen

Who Enrolled in a Remedial Course

Who Enrolled in a Remedial Course

Total Number of First-time College Freshmen

Who Enrolled in a Remedial Course

Total Number of First-time College

Freshmen

X 100

and correspondence study) to be considered a first-time freshman.

- *Graduate*—a student who successfully completes a SBESE-approved education program, passes the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), and thus earns a state-approved diploma. Students who earn GEDs are not included.
- Remedial course—a course designed by a university to prepare students to succeed academically in college-level courses. Remedial/developmental courses may be offered for college credit (i.e., they are taken into consideration in determining whether students are enrolled part time or full time), but do not carry degree credit.

Method of Calculation

The two formulas used in calculating the first-time college freshmen indicator are presented on the preceding page. The percent of high school graduates who become first-time college freshmen is calculated for public school graduates who attend in-state public colleges and universities.

Data Sources

The first-time college freshmen indicator is based on data submitted to the LDE by Louisiana public and private universities to LDE in compliance with La. R.S. 17:3912 (since repealed).

Table 12First-time College Freshmen Performance

	1998	-99	1999	00-6	2000	0-01	2001	1-02	2002-03	2003	3-04
	Percent 1	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent Number	Percent	Number
008001 Airline High School			,				'		'		
Number of High School Graduates ¹		262									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	51.91	136									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	41.18	56									
008006 Benton High School			_				-				
Number of High School Graduates ¹		138									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	39.86	55									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	56.36	31									
008009 Bossier High School	_		Г				Г				
Number of High School Graduates ¹		131									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	31.30	41									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	41.46	17									
008017 Haughton High School			Г				Г			i	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		201									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	49.25	99									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	40.40	40									
008020 Parkway High School			Г				Г			i	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		223									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	50.67	113									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	38.94	44									
008022 Plain Dealing High School			Г				Г			i	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		25									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	12.00	3									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	66.67	2									
008035 Bossier Achievement Center	_		Г				Г			ı	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		18									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	0.00	0									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	0.00	0									
008037 Bossier Parish Alternative School	_		Г				Г			ı	
Number of High School Graduates ¹		2									
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	0.00	0									
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	0.00	0									

¹ Represents graduates from the previous school year

^{~ =} Unavailable data

Table 12First-time College Freshmen Performance

	1998-99		1999-00		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003	3-04
	Percent Number		Percent	Number								
District (Public)												
Number of High School Graduates ¹		1,000										
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	44.70	447										
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	42.51	190										
State (Pub <u>lic)</u>									_			
Number of High School Graduates ¹		38,360										
HS Graduates Who Were First-time College Freshmen	42.71	16,382										
First-time Freshmen Enrolled in College Remedial Course	45.61	7,472										

¹ Represents graduates from the previous school year

- aggregate days attendance—the total number of days that students are *present* at the school site over the course of the school year.
- aggregate days membership—the total number of days that students are *enrolled* (but not necessarily *present* at the school site) over the course of the school year.
- class—a grouping of children under the primary supervision and instruction of an individual teacher for all or part of the instructional day, as reported for purposes of the *Annual School Report* (ASR) and as identified by a specific ASR course code.
- combination school category—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-12 range and which is not described by any of the other school category definitions. These schools generally contain some grades in the K-6 range and grades in the 9-12 range. Examples would include grade configurations such as K-12; K-3, combined with 9-12; and 4-6, combined with 9-12.
- criterion-referenced test (CRT)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in achieving an established criterion; LEAP CRT results (as reported by *Progress Profiles*) show the number and percent of Louisiana students who met or exceeded state curriculum content standards.
- cumulative enrollment—the sum of all students enrolled in a school or district for at least one school day during the course of the school year, used as the denominator for calculating school- and district-level suspension and expulsion percents.
- day of attendance—when a student "(1) is physically present at a school site or is participating in an authorized school activity and (2) is under the supervision of authorized personnel. This definition extends to students who are homebound, assigned to and participating in drug rehabilitation programs that contain a State-approved education component, or participating in school-authorized field trips." (Bulletin 741)
 - "Students who meet the above criteria and are present at the school site for 26-50% of the student's instructional day shall be credited with a half day's attendance. Those who meet the above criteria and are present for at least 51% of the student's

- instructional day are credited with a whole day's attendance. Students who are not physically present or who are participating for 25% or less of their instructional day will be considered absent for reporting purposes. Absences, whether excused or unexcused, shall be counted as an absence for reporting to the Department." (*Bulletin 741*)
- dropout—"an individual who was enrolled in school at some time during the previous school year, was not enrolled at the beginning of the current school year, has not graduated from high school or completed an approved educational program, and does not meet any of the following exclusive conditions: transfer to another public school district, private school, or state- or district-approved education program; temporary absence due to suspension or school-approved illness; or death." (NCES, 1993)
 - "For purposes of applying the dropout definition, the following definitions below also apply.
 - 1. A school year is defined as the 12-month period of time beginning October 1 and ending September 30.
 - 2. An individual has graduated from high school or completed a state- or district-approved education program upon receipt of formal recognition from school authorities.
 - 3. A state or district approved program is one that leads to receipt of formal recognition from school authorities. It may include special education programs, home-based instruction, and school-sponsored secondary (but *NOT* adult) programs leading to a GED or some other certification differing from the regular diploma" (NCES, 1993).
- *elementary school category*—any school whose grade structure falls within the K-8 range, which excludes grades in the 9-12 range, and which does not fit the definition for middle/junior high.
- faculty—school-based instructional personnel. In addition to full-time classroom teachers, these individuals include principals, assistant principals, guidance counselors, librarians, and other instructional staff (provided they teach at least one course).

- first-time college freshman—a student who graduates from high school during a given school year and who is enrolled full time in a Louisiana higher education institution the following fall semester. A student must begin the fall semester with fewer than 12 hours credit previously attempted (not including advanced placement credits and correspondence study) to be considered a first-time freshman.
- graduate—a student who successfully completes a SBESE-approved education program, passes the Graduation Exit Examination (GEE), and thus earns a State-approved diploma. Students who earn GEDs are not included.
- high school category—any school whose grade structure falls within the 6-12 range and which includes grades in the 10-12 range, or any school that contains only grade 9.
- *in-school expulsion*—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a period of time specified by the LEA; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- in-school suspension—a student temporarily removed from his/her usual classroom placement to an alternative setting for a minimum of one complete school day; no interruption of instructional services occurs.
- *middle/junior high category*—any school whose grade structure falls within the 4-9 range, which includes grades 7 or 8, and which excludes grades in the K-3 and 10-12 ranges.
- norm-referenced test (NRT)—tests that produce a score that tells how individuals/schools perform in comparison with other individuals/schools; NRT results (as reported by *Progress Profiles*) show how Louisiana schools perform when compared with the district, state, and nation.
- October 1 membership—total number of students enrolled in a school on October 1, which is operationally defined by the NCES as the first day of the academic school year.

- *out-of-school expulsion*—removal (exit) of a student from school for a determined number of days with no provision of instructional services.
- out-of-school suspension—a student temporarily prohibited from participation in his/her usual placement within school, with no provision of instructional service; only suspensions resulting in removal for at least one full day are included.
- percent of student attendance—the ratio of aggregate days student attendance to aggregate days membership.
- percentile rank of average standard scores for national student norms—percentile rank of the average student in the school, district, or state. For example, a percentile rank of 48 for a school means that 48 percent of the students in the norm group scored at or below the average score obtained by the students in the school.
- remedial course—a course designed by a university to prepare students to succeed academically in college-level courses. Remedial/developmental courses may be offered for college credit (i.e., they are taken into consideration in determining whether students are part-time or full-time) but do not carry degree credit.